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SOME PERSONAL IMPRESSIONS FROM THE WOMEN'S PAN-PACIFIC CONFERENCE.

(By Mrs T. E. Taylor.)

Dear White Ribbon Sisters,

I thought you would be interested to learn something of our visit to the Pan-Pacific Conference at Honolulu and our doings there.

We left Auckland in the "Aorangi" on a beautiful sunny afternoon, 31st July. A big crowd of friends came down to see us off. Flowers, streamers and good wishes made the scene a very gay one as we left the wharf.

Telegrams, letters, more flowers and good wishes awaited us on board, and we went off into the unknown filled with the spirit of anticipation, which was amply fulfilled before we again saw New Zealand.

Two days from Auckland and one from Suva, we sailed into tropical heat, which never abated until we reached the same place on our return journey.

At Suva the W.C.T.U. friends were waiting for me, and a delightful drive followed. Then morning tea with the members of both the European and the Indian Women's Union. I had a talk with these interesting women, gave them our greetings from New Zealand and from Mrs Lee-Cowie; these they received with much evident pleasure.

The Indian women members are all very young and very charming—they looked like so many brides as they stood or sat in the shaded room of the Mission school, for they still wear the full native Indian dress—

pure white, reaching to the ankles, and the long white veil draped over the head and reaching to the hem of the skirts—no shoes or stockings, and, of course, no hats.

Miss Maude Griffin, of New Zealand (now teaching in Fiji), joined our delegation at Suva, and we saw Mr Caughley for a few minutes only on the wharf.

A week later we were at our destination—beautiful Honolulu. A band played our boat into the wharf, and friends flocked on board to bid us welcome. First came Dr. Condliffe with leis (flower chains) and greetings for Miss Chaplin, Mrs Fraer and myself. Then friends from the W.C.T.U. with more leis and greetings; after that a crowd of hosts and hostesses from the Pan-Pacific Conference and Honolulu Committees, with still more leis and greetings; after that the ever-present newspaper people, various photographers and other publicity agents, crowded around us. Greetings, alohas, flowers and hearty welcome were the order of the day.

After four hours of desperate struggle with the immigration officers and the Customs officials, we finally left the wharf, hot and battered, but not beaten, except those who had any spirits in their suit cases.

The Collector of Customs at Honolulu is a woman, and she has put the fear of the law into all would-be friends of the boot-legging interests.

Cars awaited us, and we were directly whirled off to our Conference Home. Honolulu was a dream of beauty in the soft tropical evening air, as we were motored along

splendid boulevards and palm-lined avenues.

The magnificent poincianas in their scarlet and green meeting over our heads, the glorious gardens, the pink and golden shower trees (acacia), the palms and crotons were too much for us to take in. Added to this were the delightful glimpses of mountain and green valley, of sea and headland, until one felt impelled to cry out in an "ecstasy of beauty," for it was almost too much for us to bear in silence.

Our drive ended at the Punahou School, which consists of a number of fine halls and buildings scattered at intervals over sixty-eight acres of delightful park land, tropical gardens, smooth lawns, lily ponds, swimming pool, sports grounds and broad drives, constitute the campus of this great school.

Here we lived and worked for twelve never-to-be-forgotten days, learning to know and understand the women of eleven Pacific countries in their ideals and aspirations.

On arrival, we were met by the Secretaries and Hostesses and Mr Alexander Hume Ford, made very welcome, given our badges and instructions—then assigned our rooms and sent off with a Japanese message boy, who conveyed us and our luggage to the assigned place. In no time we were downstairs again, being introduced and chatting hard to Americans, Chinese and Japanese delegates, to Phillipians, Koreans, Samoans and Hawaiians, and an endless host of women gathered for the Conference.

You can imagine the chatter as we moved across to the dining room in

Dole Hall—150 women all getting to know one another—able women gathered from the ends of the Pacific to learn and to teach, to give and to take for the good of Pacific humanity, and all speaking in the English or American tongue.

On Saturday, 18th August, the Conference was formally opened by Governor Farrington.

Miss Jane Addams was Conference Chairman, and speeches were made by Mrs Frances Mills Swanzey, Mr Alexander Ford, Governor Farrington and Miss Addams; after this, greetings were received from the various Pacific countries, and the Conference was declared open.

The Conference was carried out on the Round Table and Forum method, and those who have experienced this method know how strenuous it is for those who take a conscientious part in its deliberations.

Nine days was only long enough for us to realise that we had made just a start in the study between nations of such vital questions as Education, Health, Social Service, Women in Industry and in Government. Then it was time to bring in our findings and close the Conference, with, as it were, our work just begun. The consequence of this was that a unanimous opinion was expressed that the Conference must continue to meet from time to time, and go on with an intensive study of the questions already opened up.

It is obvious to all who were there, that this will necessitate research work in each of the countries participating, and that women of ability will have to be found who can give the necessary time and study, in order to equip themselves as representatives of their own nation at these gatherings.

We, who had the unique privilege of attending this Conference, are strongly of opinion that our younger women must take up this work. Those of University standing have surely a great contribution to make through the study of the problems that emerged from this Conference.

It must be, that in Industrial and Social Science, in Health and Economics as well as Social Service, our highly-trained women have here a most valuable opportunity to give of their best in the solution of International needs, in these countries of the Pacific Area.

Contrasted with Industrial and Social conditions in New Zealand, the position of women and children in the Orient as set forth by their delegations, is nothing less than appalling. In these countries low-paid child and woman labour, added to long hours and night work, under anything but ideal conditions, is almost the rule in mills and factories everywhere.

Not only is this contributing largely to unemployment in other parts of the world, but it is undermining the physical and moral life of every nation that refuses to face the consequences of employing in industry children of seven and eight years of age, and women who have to take with them, into mill or factory, babies of a few weeks old, to lie on the floor all day long amidst the noise and dust of factory conditions.

We found, as time passed in the Round Table discussions that New Zealand had some little to give, but much also to learn. We realized as never before that first of all she must put her own house in order. For, if the women of New Zealand are to help the women of the Pacific, it will be necessary for them to prove that fully-enfranchised women are equal to the tasks they undertook thirty-six years ago, when first they received that enfranchisement.

We have certainly not concentrated upon the full use of our power and influence as we might have done, and as our Oriental sisters have such high hopes of doing when they too win full and equal citizenship.

At this moment they are working all they know how to gain the civic status that will enable them to make conditions of life and labour better for all concerned. Their aim is in the main towards Higher Education—better public health, a finer moral and ethical standard, and the protection of childlife and womanhood.

Have we done to the utmost what we might have done along these lines? And, are we ready to show them how? For this is what they want; this is what they ask of us—they want the best we have to give.

Certainly, in the Social Service Section, we could claim that our country was practically free from the White Slave Traffic, that we had

no form of legalised prostitution, that we were doing what we could to eliminate the evils of alcoholism; also that considerable progress had been made in many branches of Child Welfare; that careful thought was being given to Penal Reform, and the care of the mentally defective.

Apart from these things, we could not claim to have come as yet anywhere near the ideals of the long years of opportunity that lay behind us.

Following on the Pan-Pacific Conference was a one-day Peace Conference, convened by Jane Addams. This proved an interesting gathering, and brought out the fact that, while in the Southern Pacific we have pinned our faith very largely to the educational value of the League of Nations Union, this is not so in the Northern Pacific.

The women of the U.S.A. and Japan, and, to some extent, of Australia, are working towards the same end through the Women's League for Peace, founded by Jane Addams.

Another interesting one-day Conference was a large gathering of the Women's Christian Temperance Union international delegates, who had been present at the Pan-Pacific Conference.

Greetings were received from nine Pacific countries and experiences were exchanged, many worth-while addresses being given.

The great speech of the day was that of Governor Farrington, of Hawaii; other outstanding speakers included Miss Jane Addams, Dr. Valeria Parker, Mrs Frances Parkes and Mrs Buland. Each of these spoke of the great benefits of prohibition on the national life of America, emphasising especially the changes wrought in Industrial, Home and Social life, and most of all the immeasurable gain to American child life.

The personality of the delegates to the Pan-Pacific Conference was undoubtedly an outstanding feature of the whole affair.

Here one met for the first time women whom one had known by name only, and had loved from afar, because of what they stood for. In a few moments we were as old friends in one another's company,

with the true regard that arises from a common ideal and purpose.

Of this number were Miss Jane Addams, Dr. Valeria Parker, Mrs Harada, Mrs Gauntlet, of Japan, Miss Mary Anderson, Mrs Frances Parks and many another outstanding woman.

Most interesting of all, however, were the Phillipina and Oriental women. The Orientals were not only charming of manner and personality, but, in many cases, they were the most outstanding figures of the Conference. This was due largely to the fact that they were well-selected as delegates, and came officially as women really representative of the best thought and culture of their nations.

Of high standing in University life, in the medical profession, in industrial organisation, and in social service, as many of them were, this, combined with an excellent platform style, and, in many cases, with extreme youth, gave them pre-eminence in a gathering where women of ability were not by any means at a discount. Most of the Oriental peoples are being, as it were, reborn into modern national industrial and social life—they themselves are quite conscious of what is taking place, and are trying with all the enthusiasm of their educated youth and a clear vision, to adjust the new civilisation to the old, and the old to the new.

The task before them is to accomplish in a few decades what it took Europe centuries to evolve. In this readjustment they want from the West only that which experience has proved to be the most worthwhile. Nothing but the best will be of any value to them, hence they want nothing but the best, in health, education, in child welfare and legal status, or in industrial conditions.

These people are willing to confer with us at round tables, and in that spirit. International and interracial goodwill and understanding may solve their problems and ours, preventing upheaval and disaster in the Pacific. Armaments are there in full strength, but they are utterly powerless to settle these questions of vital significance to the Oriental nations and ourselves.

Questions of population, food supply, industrial conditions and national self-expression must be

settled by mutual understanding action; they cannot be settled by resort to arms.

Mr Alexander Hume Ford said that this Conference of Women had been the "most worth-while of all the Pan-Pacific Conferences," and 1930 should witness an even more worth-while gathering.

MAORI NEWS.

GLADSTONE.

Sept. 26. I hai te ropu onga wahine Karaitiana kite whare o Mrs M. Morehu. Tekau matoru nga mema itae mai; Mrs S. Namana; himene, whaka tuhera. Mrs N. Tauru, inoi whakatuhera. Mrs R. Kawana korero karaipi ture (Matiu 5) itimata, ite tahi, onga rarangi, a whaka mutua ana ite tekau marua o nga rara ngi, o Matiu, whiri whiri tia ete ropu, he wahine hei tutoro inga kainga o nga wahine oroto ite W.C.T.U. oti iho, ko Mrs N. Tauru me Mrs S. Wamana, erua haerenga iroto ite mara ma inoi whaka mutu nga Mrs N. Kawana. Afternoon tea was dispensed by Mrs M. Morehu.

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN.

Havelock North, 4 new members.
Henderson, 2 new members.
Wairoa, 17 new members.
Paeroa, 3 new members in October.
(Good for Paeroa.)

Lower Hutt, 21 new members since Convention. (Splendid).

Granity, 10 new paid-up members.
(Well done, Granity).

Director Horsley said that much time and energy was devoted to improving the mental material of backward children by educational means, but it would be more scientific if ways and means of creating sound nerve structure at the very start of life was studied, as no amount of subsequent education could make perfect a brain that came into the world weak in vitality and miserably endowed.

PROHIBITION VICTORY.



- 1 Brightly beams the glorious dawning,
Of a day we long to see;
When our nation, now in bondage,
Evermore shall be made free.
—Chorus.
- 2 Friends of temp'rance, raise your
banners,
Write the word in lines of gold;
Let the shining folds triumphant,
Tell of warriors, true and bold.

- 3 Hard and long the conflict rages,
Fierce the battle now begun;
Rouse, ye patriots, be not weary,
Victory shall yet be won.

DISTRICT CONVENTIONS.

HAWKE'S BAY.

Opened at Waipawa on Tuesday, September 25th, Mrs Hooper opened the Session with prayer. Revs. Hooper and Robertson welcomed delegates to Waipawa, and expressed hearty wishes for a good convention. Miss Heaton responded and thanked all for their welcome. The District President, Miss Heaton, then took the chair. The following Unions were represented:—Gisborne, Napier S., Napier, Havelock N., Hastings, Waipawa, Waipukurau, Makotuku and Dannevirke. Wairoa sent a report, but was unable to send delegate. The Secretary's report showed steady progress, three new Unions had been organised. The President had visited the various branches, and Miss A. M. McLay had also done good work in the district.

Three District Superintendents were appointed:—Mrs Leask, Maori; Mrs Moore, Notable Days; and Mrs Bibby, Scientific Temperance.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs Leask, Napier; Vice-President, Mrs Speight, Hastings; Secretary, Mrs Wilson, Hastings; Treasurer, Miss Burdett, Waipukurau.

In the evening, a public meeting was held. Musical items and elocutionary by Miss Major were rendered. Three-minute impromptu speeches produced some fine efforts. Mrs Peryman spoke on the present situation re Licensing Legislation, and urged all present to work, pray, believe, and expect victory at the coming poll.

The following remits were passed:

Finance and Membership: "That the Executive be asked to review the question of the basis of membership in regard to: (a) Finance; (b) Pledge."

"That in view of the multiplicity of forms used by the Dominion Secretary and Superintendents in compiling the annual returns, a simpler and more direct method be adopted, viz., instead of as at present collecting information from local Secretaries, all returns be furnished by District Secretaries to Dominion Executive."

"That publicity be given prior to District Convention to nominations for District Officers," thus enabling branches to instruct delegates how to vote.

CANTERBURY.

The Canterbury District Convention commenced its sessions on 25th September in St. Paul's Schoolroom, Christchurch. Mrs T. E. Taylor, J.P., President North Canterbury District, presided. She was ably supported on the platform by Miss Harband, J.P., Secretary North Canterbury, Mrs Boag, President South Canterbury, Mrs Hopwood, Secretary South Canterbury.

Seventy delegates responded to the roll call.

Reports were received from all the Unions represented, and showed that good work was in progress, covering a wide field of activities. Particularly outstanding was the work done in connection with Bands of Hope, Cradle Roll, and young people generally.

Mrs Taylor gave an interesting address dealing with her recent visit to the Women's Pan-Pacific Conference at Honolulu. The speaker stated that this had been a wonderful experience. Jane Addams, from America, and the Oriental delegates from Japan, China, and Korea were the outstanding figures of the Conference. Jane Addams had said that, speaking generally, the W.C.T.U. was behind every movement that was working in the interests of women and children. The fundamental principles underlying women's work were the same the world over.

Rev. Gardner Miller gave an address dealing with the Gambling Evil. The speaker said that gambling was destructive of true national life, and was anti-social and undemocratic. The totalisator was a curse to New Zealand. The speaker added that he had never known a worse Government than the one in power for sheer ineptitude in the face of moral issues. New Zealand, he said, would shortly occupy a prominent place in the Pacific, and her success depended not so much on her produce as on the character of her people. Boys and girls should be taught in the public schools the wrong of betting and gambling by means of wall sheets and by instruction by their teachers. If these principles were ingrained in the young people, they would not be caught in

later years in the toils of the book-makers.

At the afternoon session on the 26th, Mrs Richards, Dominion Superintendent of "School of Methods," presided, and conducted a "model meeting."

Miss Henderson gave a resume of the Mental Defectives Act, which has recently passed through Parliament, with mutilations.

The annual election of District officers resulted as follows:—North Canterbury: Pres., Miss Henderson, B.A., J.P.; Vice-Pres., Mrs W. J. Williams; Sec., Miss Harband, J.P.; Treas., Mrs Barrell; Assis. Treas., Miss Gordon. South Canterbury: Pres., Mrs Boag; Vice-Pres., Mrs Low, M.A.; Sec., Mrs Hopwood; Treas., Mrs Roy.

An invitation from Waimate for the next District Convention was accepted with thanks.

On the evening of the 26th September the "Y" branches provided the programme. Eight "Y" branches gave their reports. Mrs Mitchell, President New Brighton "Y" Branch, presided. Impromptu speeches were given by Miss Robinson (Ashburton) on "Is Alcohol a Stimulant?" Mr Deans (Aranui) on "Three Good Ways of Saving Money," Mr James (Riccarton) on "The Relation Between Alcohol and Unemployment." During the evening vocal and instrumental items were given by members of the "Y" Unions.

WELLINGTON.

Wellington District Convention met in the Union Rooms, Constable Street, Wellington, on Thursday, September 27th. Mrs Evans, M.A., Vice-President, was in the chair, and there were also present: Mrs Peryman, Editor "White Ribbon"; Mrs Chisholm, Dominion Literature Superintendent; Miss C. M. McLay, Organiser; Miss C. E. Kirk, J.P., District Secretary; Mrs A. Anderson, District Treasurer; and officers and delegates were present from the following Unions:—Brocklyn, Carterton, Carterton Y, Greytown, Gladstone (Maori), Johnsonville, Karori, Lower Hutt, Miramar, Petone, Wellington, Wellington Central. An apology was received from Masterton Union.

Mrs Murray (Wellington) led the morning devotions.

Mrs Mowlem, on behalf of the Wellington Union, welcomed the delegates and visitors.

Mrs R. Aldersley was appointed Press Reporter.

Reports were received from each Union represented. Miss McLay reported on the two Unions recently formed, Moera and Brooklyn; Miss Mil-lenhall for Johnsonville Y Branch; and Miss Kirk read a report from Apiti Union. These were received and adopted.

The Treasurer's report, which showed a good financial position, was moved and adopted.

Plans of work were discussed, and the report of the Executive Committee for Dominion Convention was received.

At the afternoon session, Mrs Every (Carterton) led the devotions.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—District President, Miss C. E. Kirk, J.P.; Vice-President, Mrs Evans, M.A.; Secretary, Mrs Mowlem; Treasurer, Mrs A. Anderson.

Unfinished business was then discussed. Mrs Webb and Mrs Priestley were appointed as convenors of the Hospitality Committee for Dominion Convention.

A number of remits for Dominion Convention were carried.

At 3 p.m. a public meeting was held, at which quite a number of visitors were present. Mrs Peryman spoke of the N.Z. Drink Bill, and what national grants it would pay, even after the revenue had been paid, and urged us all to have faith, and pray for God's blessing, ending with that glorious promise, "Whatsoever ye ask, if ye believe ye shall receive."

Miss C. M. McLay also spoke, and reminded us of the foundation and goal of our work—Womanhood—recalling the cloud of unseen witnesses, and urging us to "run the race," ever remembering our visible witnesses.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the speakers, and afternoon tea was served by the members of Wellington Union.

Mrs Mowlem conveyed greetings from our fellow-White Ribboners on Niue Island, and a return message of greeting and goodwill was sent from Convention.

A sincere vote of thanks and appreciation was accorded the entertaining Union and hostesses for their generous hospitality.

Convention closed with the Benediction.

MANAWATU.

The Manawatu District held its first Convention at Pahiatua on September 18th and 19th, Mrs Ferguson (President) presiding. Meeting opened with devotions, led by Mrs Foston.

Unions represented were Palmerston North, Feilding, Levin, and Pahiatua. Apologies for absence were received from Otaki, Foxton, and Apiti.

Miss C. E. Kirk conveyed greetings from Wellington.

At roll call, twelve delegates responded.

Minutes of Wellington District Convention, held at Palmerston North in September, 1927, were read and confirmed.

The Treasurer presented a satisfactory balance-sheet, showing a credit balance.

Reports from each Union in the District were read, all Unions showing an increase in membership, and steady work being done. It was inspiring to hear of progress made by the baby Union (Levin), also the Otaki Union, which had been re-formed through the year. Palmerston North reported special campaign work done in sending out literature to 2800 women.

Report was given of Miss McLay's work in organising Union at Levin, and re-organising Otaki and Shannon Unions during early part of the year.

Miss Grace Houlder, of Australia, who was introduced by Mr S. Kingston, of Palmerston North (Alliance Organiser), spoke of the great and noble work of Miss Frances Willard, of the 18th Amendment, and of the passing of the 19th Amendment, giving American women a vote.

The following remits were passed:—

1. "That this meeting is of the opinion that, instead of a flower demonstration at Dominion Convention in connection with the Membership Campaign, it would be well for each Union to place in a small bag a penny for each new member, the District officer present to collect and present same, which will be devoted to the Organising Fund."

2. "That a request be sent to Dominion officers that literature lying on the shelves be freed for distribution by various Unions."

3. That this meeting is of the firm opinion that immediate action should be taken to ensure a weekly holiday for all hospital nurses, and that recent disclosures regarding sick nurses should be thoroughly investigated."

Two beautiful solos were rendered by Mrs Boynes.

September 19. Morning session opened with hymn, prayer and pledge. Mrs T. Young led devotions, and gave a helpful talk on "being saviours of others."

Election of officers resulted: President, Mrs Ferguson; Vice-President, Mrs T. Young; Secretary, Mrs Wakeham; Treasurer, Mrs Singh.

A splendid report was read from Miss C. M. McLay of work done while organising Y branch at Levin.

Miss C. E. Kirk expressed thanks for invitation for Convention, and enjoyment of same.

Mrs J. D. Wilson voiced the thanks of the meeting for Miss Kirk's presence, and appreciation of all her help.

Afternoon session opened with devotions, Mrs Pack inspiring all with her talk on "Rejoice in the Lord alway." Mrs Young led in prayer.

In discussing plans of work, home meetings were suggested as very helpful, one of the most effective ways of working being through the personal touch, the word spoken at every opportunity.

The President urged all members to do their best in every way for the cause of Prohibition.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Presbyterian Management Committee for use of building, to Press, and to the Entertaining Union.

Convention closed with the hymn, "God be with you till we meet again," and Doxology.

On Tuesday evening a public meeting was held. His Worship the Mayor, Mr J. D. Crewe, presided. Words of welcome to the speakers for the evening and the visiting delegates were spoken by the Mayor; also the Rev. F. McDonald on behalf of the Pahiatua Prohibition League and the Presbyterian Church; by Rev. C. A. Foston on behalf of Methodist Church; and by Captain Vince on behalf of the Salvation Army.

Miss C. E. Kirk's address on "Some of the Aims and Objects of the W.C.T.U." was very much appreciated.

Miss Grace Houlder, of Australia, gave an impressive address.

Very pleasing vocal items were rendered by Miss Collister and Mr S. Kingston.

On motion of Miss Edmed, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Miss Kirk and Miss Houlder.

AUCKLAND.

September 11 and 12. Room beautifully decorated. Mrs Benfell presided, and led devotions. Sixty-six officers and delegates present. Twenty-two Unions were represented. The Y's presented a lovely bouquet to the President. Miss Jean Begg spoke on the Mental Defectives Bill. Mrs Patteson and Miss K. Johnson sang a duet. Mrs T. E. Taylor was warmly welcomed, and presented with a bouquet. She warmly thanked the Union, and expressed pleasure at being back in New Zealand. Miss McCorkingdale, who also received a bouquet, spoke on educating in temperance our young people. A deputation received from N.Z. Alliance. Suggested that censorship of films be more drastic.

At evening meeting. Mrs T. E. Taylor spoke on Prohibition in America. A chorus was sung by children, and Rev. G. Jackson spoke on Licensing Bill. Mrs Benfell and Mrs Williams heartily thanked for faithful services. Reports were encouraging. L.T.L. membership, 224. Report from Niue Island received. Officers elected: Pres., Mrs Lee-Cowie; Vice-Pres., Mrs Richards; Cor. Sec., Mrs Clark; Rec. Sec., Mrs Johnson; Treas., Mrs Taylor; Maori Supt., Mrs Fulljames. Largest and best Convention held in Auckland District.

OTAGO.

The attendance was good, and Mosgiel's hospitality unsurpassed. Mrs Hiatt, the President, took the devotional exercises, and spoke briefly on "Adventures of Faith."

Forty delegates answered to the roll call, and we also welcomed to our meeting Miss Bradshaw, our Organiser.

The District Secretary presented an encouraging report, and the Treasurer's balance-sheet showed a substantial credit balance.

Mrs Bedford, Mosgiel President, welcomed the delegates.

Mrs Don read a most interesting extract from the World's W.C.T.U. Organiser's report at Lausanne, and later in the day gave an interesting demonstration on the working of preferential voting.

At noontide, Mrs Didham (Dunedin) led in prayer.

The election of officers resulted: District President, Mrs Peart, N.E. Valley;

Vice-President, Mrs Bedford, Mosgiel; Secretary, Miss A. Gray, N.E. Valley; Treasurer, Mrs Hutton, Dunedin Central.

Mrs Hiatt, past-President, in refusing nomination, thanked the members for past confidence, and congratulated Mrs Peart on her new office. Mrs Peart suitably replied.

Mrs Anstice paid a tribute to the years of faithful work carried on by Mrs Hiatt. The words of appreciation expressed by Mrs Anstice were heartily supported by every member present.

The resolutions passed at the Dominion Convention were re-affirmed, and a copy sent to the Ministers concerned.

A remit from the Y's to the effect that in the text book, "Our Race and Empire," the section on Causes and Prevention of Poverty makes no specific mention of alcohol as one of the chief causes of poverty. This Convention feels that as strong drink is one of the main causes of poverty, this omission should be rectified."

The three minute speeches were much enjoyed. Miss Armit (Y's) spoke on "Why Do I Object to Alcohol as a Medicine?" Mrs Peart suggested ways in which the work of the W.C.T.U. could be made more effective this year; and Mrs Alexander showed how Prohibition at its worst is better than License at its best.

Mrs Downing explained the system of voting by post.

Miss Bradshaw, the Organiser, gave a short address on "Service," and among many interesting and refreshing things, urged us not to miss even small opportunities.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs Peryman making an appeal for new subscribers. This letter was backed up by Mrs Hiatt.

In the evening, an open meeting was held, and was well attended. Mrs Hiatt presided. The Rev. Alan Watson gave a thoughtful address on the Prohibition question from the standpoint of the youth of the country. In this address there was much food for thought. After some musical items, Mrs Hiatt introduced the Hon. J. H. Finlayson, of Australia, who gave a most interesting and instructive address on "Prohibition, Morally Right and Economically Sound."

During the day vocal items were rendered by Miss Bradshaw, Mrs Dodds, Miss McLeod, and Mrs McCabe.

The usual votes of thanks were

passed, and the 1928 Convention, one of the most successful yet held, was closed with the Temperance Doxology and the Benediction.

A PRAYER.

Nearly forty years we've wandered,
Lord,
Must we stay in the wilderness
still?
Oh! bring us this year to our
Promised Land,
If it be Thy Holy Will.

We have waited long and patiently
And many battles fought;
Now another is looming ahead of us,
Wherein hopes with fears are
fraught.

Wilt Thou help us over the river,
To the land of promised joy;
Scatter the foes who would hinder,
Their evil plans destroy.

And, when we've crossed the border,
Many giants great we'll meet;
But with Thy help we'll conquer
them,
And their wicked hopes defeat.

Oh! bid us beware of the idols,
Our foes have set on high,
Help us tear down their strongholds,
And cruel influence defy.

Thus shalt Thou make this pleasant
land
So safe for our girls and boys;
Thou shalt have all the glory,
And we shall have the joys.
—MARLA.

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"For God, and Home, and Humanity."

Wellington, October 18, 1928.

OUR DOMINION'S DRINK BILL.

There are still some benighted individuals in our country who consider the liquor trade as a source of revenue to the Government.

We would like such people to make a careful study of the Dominion's Drink Bill. The figures are stupendous. In 1927, New Zealand spent on alcoholic drink £8,831,531. Had that amount been in sovereigns, it would weigh 86½ tons. Picture 15 big six-ton motor lorries proceeding along Lambton Quay, all save one, loaded to its capacity with sovereigns. That procession represents our annual expenditure over the liquor bars.

Hotels are closed on Sundays, and deducting Sundays and three annual closing days, i.e., 55 days, then on the remaining 310 days we spend £1,187 per hour, day and night, on strong drink.

Custom and Excise duties amount to a little over two million pounds. After deducting these, the money left would provide work for 21,785 workers, giving them an income of £6 a week. What a remedy for unemployment. For, assuredly, if this eight million were not spent in liquor, it would find its way into other channels of trade. And what an impetus it would give our trade and industries, and how much employment it would provide. Prohibition would throw very few out of employment. It is only the bars that would be closed, and just take note how many men are employed in the hotel bars in your town. Very few hotels in country towns employ more than one barman, and he usually acts as night porter also, and so would probably have to be kept on when the bar was closed. According to the year book, there are just over a thousand men employed in our breweries. If the eight million were spent in clothing, food, or luxuries, it would provide employment for many more workers. Our education system is starved for want of funds. New schools cannot be built for lack of money. Yet, our Drink Bill would

pay its customs and excise duties, plus the total cost of education from primary school right up to universities, including technical schools and training colleges, plus the total cost of all persons administered by the Pensions Department, plus an income of £1,000 per day for a railway, educational or any other kind of expert.

Experience is a wise teacher, even if her fees are heavy. What is our experience in No-License districts? Are our No-License areas ruined? Scarcely! Invercargill is admittedly most prosperous. Ashburton is one of the richest boroughs in the Dominion, while Masterton is thriving and growing.

Has prohibition ruined Finland? Has it bankrupted the United States? Compare the wealthy U.S.A. with State Control Canada. British Columbia's Control Board says: "The brewing of beer for private use is a very general practice in our province;" while one of the Board's officers admits: "To-day there are seven thousand bootleggers operating in Vancouver alone." State Control Canada has bootlegging on as large a scale as prohibition U.S.A., but while U.S.A. is growing wealthy, British Columbia has more than doubled its provincial debt since Government assumed control of liquor trade.

In 1920, Quebec had a debt of over 40 millions. In four years under State Control, it has increased to over seventy-five millions. The only revenue that suffers under prohibition is the revenue of the Liquor Trade. That this revenue is most valuable, we can judge by the amount the Trade spends every poll to keep its wealthy monopoly. Better vote it out,—what do we gain for this huge expenditure? Increased votes for charity, hospitals, prisons and reformatories.

Prohibition at its worst is better than License at its best. Give it a trial.

One can die of alcoholism without being a drunkard. Every day people die of alcoholism without ever having been drunk. This form of alcoholism is most frequent and most dangerous of all, because the most insidious.—Dr. Jacques Bertillon, Paris.

N.Z. TREASURER'S REPORT.

The following amounts, exclusive of Capitation Fees, have been received during the period August 12th to October 6th, both dates inclusive:

NEW ZEALAND FUND.

Petone, £1; Taumarunui, £1 1s.; Pleasant Point 'Y,' £2 16s.; Masterton (Collection) £1; Birkenhead 'Y,' 10s. 6d.; Wanganui Central, £1; Rakaia 'Y,' 10s.; Greymouth (Collection) £1.

ORGANISING FUND.

Sefton, £1 5s. 6d.; Special, 14s. 6d.; Spreydon, £4 17s. 6d.; Special, £2 2s. 6d.; Rakaia, £1; Petone, £4 5s. 6d.; Sydenham 'Y,' 8s. 6d.; Wairoa, 10s. 6d.; Wanganui East 'Y,' 5s.; Normanby, £1 2s. 6d.; Cashmere Hills, £1 7s. 6d.; Fencourt, £1 2s. 6d.; Special, 17s. 6d.; New Plymouth, £4 10s.; Invercargill North, £3 3s.; Port Chalmers, £4 10s.; Special, £3; Orepuki, £1 14s. 6d.; Warkworth, Special, 13s. 9d.; Rai Valley, 'Y,' £1; Wanganui Central, £6 18s.; Maungakarama, Special, 18s. 9d.; Manaia, £1; Aratapu-Te Kopuru, Special, 16s.; Thames (Mrs Gleeson) 2s. 6d.; Wyndham, Special, £7; Rai Valley, Special, £1 3s. 7d.; Henderson, Special, £1 1s.

FRANCHISE DAY COLLECTIONS.

Palmerston N., 13s. 6d.; Wairoa, 6s.; Napier, 10s. 3d.; Pahiatua, 8s.; Havelock North, 5s.; Ponsonby, 10s.; New Brighton North, 7s.

MAORI FUND.

Frankton Maori Branch, 5s.; Ashburton 'Y,' 10s.

M. B. LOVELL-SMITH.

STICKERS!

HURRY UP, AND BUY AND USE.

Mrs Chisholm, 9 Palm Grove, Berrymore, Wellington, has stickers for your letters, 60 for 1/-. Each one has a telling slogan. Use them on every letter, paper and parcel. Sample:—

1. The Hotel Bar wants your boy. Can you spare him? Vote it out.
2. Liquor has drowned more men than the sea. Vote it out.

PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS AS A PEACEMAKER.

In the following disputes the League was instrumental in preventing war, and in some cases of stopping war when it had begun. Any one dispute, if there had been no League, might have led to war, involving many other countries:—

1. Great Britain v. France. In 1922, certain men of British nationality, but Maltese race, living in the French Protectorates of Tunis and Morocco, had been forced into the French army as conscripts. The British Foreign Office complained, and suggested arbitration, but the French refused, but finally agreed to put it before the Permanent Court of International Justice, which decided the dispute.

2. Poland v. Czecho-Slovakia. A dispute over the possession of a small mountain district between the two countries dragged on for years. The Permanent Court gave a decision, and under the influence of the League spirit of peace, the two countries decided to make the disputed territory into an international park and preserve for animals and birds, with a memorial declaring that it was a symbol of lasting friendship between the two peoples.

3. Poland v. Lithuania. The dispute was over the possession of Vilna. It was brought before the League, which gave a decision. Neither side liked the decision, and are still dissatisfied, but there has been no fighting.

4. Finland v. Sweden. Dispute over the possession of the Aaland Islands, which were part of Finland, but the population wanted to be under Sweden. The League appointed a Commission, which decided that the islands were to remain Finnish, but were to have a large measure of self-government.

5. Germany v. Poland. Dispute over the division of Upper Silesia. It was referred to League, which gave a very wise decision.

6. Jugo-Slavia v. Albania. The former invaded the latter. The Council of the League was summoned, and it decided that unless Jugo-Slavia withdrew its troops at once, there would be no hope of raising a loan by Jugo-Slavia in London. The troops were withdrawn.

7. Greece v. Italy. Because an Italian general had been assassinated in Greece, Italy seized the Island of Corfu.

Greece appealed to the League, and also to the Conference of Ambassadors (representatives of Great Britain, France, Italy, and Japan). Italy accepted the decision of the Ambassadors, so the League had no cause to intervene, but suggested a plan of settlement, the chief features of which were adopted.

(To be Continued.)

A WOMAN'S ANSWER.

Do you know you have asked for the costliest thing?

E'er made by the Hand above?
A woman's heart and a woman's life,
And a woman's wonderful love?

Do you know you have asked for this priceless thing

As a child might ask for a toy,
Demanding what others have died to win,
With the reckless dash of a boy?

You have written my lesson of duty out;

Man-like you have questioned me;
Now stand at the bar of my woman's soul,
Until I shall question thee.

You require your mutton shall always be hot,

Your socks and your shirts be whole;
I require your heart to be true as God's stars,
And as pure as His Heaven your soul.

You require a cook for your mutton and beef;

I require a far greater thing;
A seamstress you're wanting for socks and for shirts—
I look for a man and a king.

A king for the beautiful realm called home,

A man that the Maker, God,
Shall look upon as He did on the first,
And say "It is very good."

I am fair and young, but the rose will fade

From my soft young cheek one day:

Will you love me then, 'mid the falling leaves,

As you did 'mid the blooms of May?

Is your heart an ocean so strong and deep,

I may launch my all on its tide?
A loving woman finds heaven or hell
On the day she becomes a bride.

I require all the things that are grand and true,

All things that a man should be;
If you give this all, I would stake my life
To be all you demand of me.

If you cannot be this, a laundress and cook

You can hire, and a little to pay;
But a woman's heart and a woman's life
Are not to be won in that way.

MRS THACHER'S PRIZES.

Lausanne,
July 20th, 1928.

Dear Miss Henderson.

I have just received a letter from Mrs William F. Thacher, our World's W.C.T.U. Superintendent of Work Among Soldiers and Sailors, and she sends me word that the prize she offered in her department three years ago for the nation which should first send in the name and address of the Superintendent, has been won by New Zealand. She does not give me the Department Superintendent's name. I am sending you the money—10 dols.—which she stipulates is to be used for the promotion of department work, with the request that you will kindly see that the right person gets it.

In addition to this prize, Mrs Thacher offered a prize of 50 dols. for the best report, and she says New Zealand and Australia reports are so nearly equal she has divided the amount, giving 25 dols. to each. That brings the amount to 35 dols., and I have made over Mrs Thacher's checks to you, so that you can cash them and see that they are handed to the right person. Mrs Thacher is surely very generous.

We are truly sorry not to have New Zealand represented in our Congress this coming week.

With love to you all, in great haste,

Affectionately,
ANNA A GORDON.

News of the Union.

Report promptly—write in ink—
on one side of paper.

ASHBURTON.—Sept. 18. A very successful Social Afternoon, in recognition of "Franchise Day;" Sister Mildred presided over a fair attendance. Apologies for absence received. Mrs Trott, from Timaru, was present, and received a warm welcome, which she gratefully acknowledged, and gave an interesting talk on the work connected with the Sailor's Rest. Several musical items were contributed. A dainty afternoon tea was served, after which Mrs H. Hopwood, of Rakaiia, gave a graphic description of her recent trip to the Homeland, and the places of interest visited during her stay in England. The methods used in imparting Temperance Instruction in schools were outlined, and generally approved by all present. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded speakers and performers, and the meeting closed.

ARATAPU-TE KOPURU.—Sept. 11. Annual Pay-Up Social at the residence of Mrs Wordsworth, Snr. Good attendance; Miss Cullen presided. Two excellent papers were given, one on "Prayer" by Mrs Dewberry, and one on "Our Motto" (For God, Home and Humanity) written by Miss Blakey. Solos were rendered by Mrs Bell and Miss Churchward. Four new members initiated, and afternoon tea served.

ASHBURTON.—Oct. 2. Ensign Mrs Moore presided; large attendance. Maori Day observed. A warm welcome was extended to Mrs Parkinson, of Lyttelton Branch, now President in Ashburton. Rev. C. S. Matthews gave an address on "Civil and Religious Liberty," emphasising the great necessity of safe-guarding those liberties won for us by our fore-fathers at such tremendous cost. In recognizing "Maori Day," reference was made to the clause in the recent Licensing Bill, providing for Liquor Licenses in the King Country, in defiance of the promise made to the native chiefs. Much-appreciated solos were contributed, and a collection taken in aid of the Maori Fund. Votes of thanks were accorded speaker and performers. One new member enrolled. Tea was served. Decided that contributions of clothing, etc., to Willard Home be handed in at November meeting, or left with the Superintendent. Decided to hold a Temperance Sunday prior to the Poll, and to arrange for a display in the Procession on Labour Day. A Committee was set up to make final arrangements for the "Quick Lunch Counter" (with assistance of Y. Branch) at the Gala, under supervision of Convenor of Refreshment Committee, Mrs W. H. Robinson.

BLENHEIM.—Oct. 2. Mrs W. Smith, President, in chair; big attendance. Mrs Underhill, Secretary, resigned. Mrs Jackson appointed. Full discussion re Miss McLay's visit; visiting Y. Branch on Thursday evening, W.C.T.U. having a social gathering on Monday 8th. Final arrangements for Bazaar, to be held in fortnight's time in Town Hall.

BALFOUR.—Sept. 21. Fair attendance. The President briefly introduced Miss McLay, and assured her we were very pleased to have her with us. Miss McLay, in her quiet impressive manner, gave us a most eloquent address, which was listened to with great attention and appreciated by all. One new member. Afternoon tea provided by two of the members. Vote of thanks to the President, Mrs Orr, for her gift of table cover, embroidered with our Badges, was carried by acclamation.

BROOKLYN.—Sept. 25. New Union organised by Miss C. M. McLay, when following officers were elected:—Pres., Mrs Sawden; Sec., Mrs Thomson; Treas., Mrs Gittings; W.R. Agent, Mrs Pearson. Seventeen members.

BIRKENHEAD.—Sept. 20. At the residence of Mrs Jory. Mention was made of the help Mrs Jory had been during her long years of Presidency, and as a small token of their love and appreciation, the members presented to her a book, "The Golden Milestone." Mrs Kasper gave a very interesting

and impressive talk about the good work going on in the L.T.L., and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded her. Afternoon tea was served by the hostess.

CARTERTON.—Sept. 12. A public meeting, about forty present. The speaker was Hon. Crawford Vaughan, a former Premier of South Australia, who gave a very fine address. Mr Vaughan said it was Prohibition with Compensation which had been defeated in New South Wales, and the Prohibition Party had come out of the fight feeling that they had won something of a moral victory, for they had done away for ever with any poil with compensation.

COLLINGWOOD.—Sept. 28. Mrs Jamieson in the chair. Correspondence re contribution to Willard Home. Resolved that each member present solicit small subscription, also second-hand clothing. Discussion re obtaining literature for distribution; resolved to send for a few dozen. Date annual meeting, October 26th, 1928.

CARTERTON.—Oct. 3. Fourteen present. Mrs Every presiding. Greetings received and sympathy extended in illness. The "Danger of Alcohol in Emergency" was read for the scientific fact. A letter of welcome sent to Mrs Dryden, transferred from Martinborough. Copies of the "White Ribbon" are sent to the Buchanan Home, resolved to also place copies in the Dentist's waiting room. Mrs Janzen gave a very comprehensive and interesting report of Convention, and was

accorded a very hearty vote of thanks. Afternoon tea was served by the hostesses, Mesdames D. T. King and Madden.

DARGAVILLE.—Sept. 18. Meeting held at the Presbyterian Manse; fifteen ladies present, Mrs Page presided. A helpful talk on "The Life of Dr. Grenfell" was given by Mrs H.M. Taylor. Essays received from Primary School, show the results of Band of Hope teaching. Prizes for essays to be presented at school by Mrs Page and Miss Andrews, on a date arranged by Headmaster. Afternoon tea served by Mrs White. All ladies present decided to make a garment each for Willard Home.

DANNEVIRKE.—Sept. 13. Eight present. Franchise Day. Mrs Bassett read "How We Won the Franchise," and was heartily thanked. Collection for N.Z. Fund, 17s.

EPSOM.—Sept. 27. Mrs Worsley presided. To Willard Home, decided to send our usual contribution. Helpful extracts given by Mrs Benfell from recent address of Miss McCorkindale, also reports of District Convention given by delegates. The Secretary read selections from "What We Have Done With the Franchise." Collection taken.

EDEN.—Sept 19. Mrs Hayr presided over a fair attendance. Decided to procure a set of charts to be presented to the Mt. Eden school. Mrs O'Donnell gave report of District Convention. Arrangements were put in hand for a Bring and Buy Sale, combined

N.Z.W.C.T.U. Literature.

General: Mrs Horace Chisholm, 9 Palm Grove, Berhampore, Wellington.

Badges and Tie-pins, 5/- per doz., Star of Honor, 2/- each; Hymnals (music), 3/- each; Hymn Books, 2/3 per doz.; Writing Pads, 1/- and 1/9 each; Envelopes, 6d packet; Constitutions, 4d each, or 3/6 doz.; Handy Booklet, 4d each, 3/6 doz.; Membership Pledge Cards and "Facts About W.C.T.U.," 6d doz.; Treasurer and Transfer Slips, 6d doz.; Pledge Books, 6d each; Treasurer's Receipt Book, 1/6 each; Promise Box, 1/3 each; "How We Won the Franchise," 6d doz., or 3/- per 100; "White-Robed Vestal," 6d doz., or 3/- per 100; "What We Have Done with the Franchise," 6d doz., or 3/- per 100; "Torchbearers," 7/6 each; "Appeal to Mothers," 6d doz.; "Frauds," 6d doz.; "Emergency," 9d doz., or 1d each; "Young People's Leaflet on W.C.T.U.," 1d each, 1/- per doz.; "Noontide Hymn" (words), for sticking in Hymnal, 6d doz.; "Three Reasons Why a Young Woman and a Young Man Should Abstain," 6d doz.; Service and Prayer Book, 6d each; Social Invitation Cards, 6d doz. These prices include postage.

Medical Opinions and The Danger of Alcohol in Emergency, 9d per dozen, 2/6 per 100; Is Alcohol a Stimulant? 6d per dozen, 2/- per 100; Post Cards, 1/6 per dozen; Pencils, 6d each; Safety First, 6d per dozen, 2/- per 100.

Blotters, 3/9 per 100.

Cash with order.

L.T.L. and Band of Mercy: Mrs Bathgate, 106 Somme Parade, Wanganui.

Charts (with Manual of Lessons), 7/6 per set; Temperance Tales, 1/-; About Ourselves, 1/-; About Our Country, 1/-; It Is Written, 1/-; Three Young Americans, 9d; About Us and Others, 1/-; Pledge Honour Roll, 3/6; S.S. Honour

Roll, 2/6; L.T.L. Badges, 4/- per dozen; Pledges, 1/- per dozen; Parliamentary Rules, 1d; Keep Thyself Pure (certificates), 1/3 per doz.; Anti-Cigarette Pledges, 5d per doz.; Recitations, Dialogues, 2d, 3d, and 6d each; Wines of Scripture and Mothers' Day Leaflets, each 6d per doz., or 2/- per 100; L.T.L. Year Books, free; Young Crusader, 2/- a year (in advance); Marching Songs, 8d each; Short Story Leaflets, 6d per doz. **Band of Hope.**—Pledges, 2/- per doz.; Reciters, 3d each; 100 Per Cent. Efficiency Manual, 9d; Helps, 2d; Alcohol a Cell Poison, 8d.

Band of Mercy.—Pledges, 6d per doz.; Literature, 6d per pkt.; Little Animal's Friend, 1/6 per year.

All these prices include postage.

BAND OF HOPE.

Dialogues, 3d each; Leaflets, 9d per packet; Pledges (artistic), 2/- per dozen; Reciters, from 3d. Also Pledges at 1/- per dozen.

Cradle Roll: Mrs Phillips, Brecon Road, Stratford.

Cradle Roll Pledge Cards, 1/- per doz.

Cradle Roll Birthday Cards, 2/- per doz.

Eighth Year Certificates, 2/- per doz. Social and Moral Hygiene: Mrs Wilson, P.O. Box 273, Hastings.

Men, Women and God, 4/6—A discussion of Sex Questions from the Christian standpoint; Maternity without Suffering, 3/-; Way Book of Youth, 2/-; How I Was Born, 9d; The Story of Life, 1/6; In Her Teens, 2/-; The Changing Girl, 2/-; Answers to Tiny Tots, 2/-.

Medical Temperance: Mrs Clara Neal, 5 Park Crescent, Parknell, Auckland.

Medical Temperance Leaflets at prices ranging from one penny up to sixpence per dozen. Sample Packets, 1/- each.

Anti-Narcotic Leaflets: Sample Packets, 8d each.

with a Social Afternoon for the October meeting. Afternoon tea served.

Oct. 2. Eden Union has held two very well-attended meetings in Mt. Eden Road since last report. Stirring addresses were given by Mr White, of the Alliance, and Mrs Lee-Cowie respectively. Three more members gained. Afternoon tea served.

FENCOURT.—Sept. Mrs Simpson, President, occupied the chair. Visitors were present from Matangi and Cambridge. Rev. J. W. Parker, President of the Prohibition League, gave a very interesting address, advising all to "get busy." Mrs Holton, Matangi, sang a solo in a very pleasing style. Three new members were initiated, and three men were enrolled as honorary members. Mrs Simpson and Miss Shennan elected delegates to District Convention. Afternoon tea served.

FEILDING.—Oct. 4. Pay-Up Social, Mrs Pack in chair; small attendance. A paper on "The Gambling Evil," sent by Mrs Pirrett, read and discussed. All present agreed on the great evils of gambling, and pledged themselves to refuse to take part in any form whatever of it. Mrs Pack gave a report of the District Convention held at Pahlata last month. Letter of sympathy sent to Mrs Grass who is seriously ill.

GORE.—Sept. 25. Mrs Smith presided and introduced Miss McLay and Sister Ruth Fawcett. Miss McLay spoke of the privileges and responsibilities of women in the fight against the liquor trade. Sister Fawcett spoke on "Slum Life in Liverpool." Decided to hold Bring and Buy Sale next meeting.

GERALDINE.—Sept 11. Largely attended. Mrs Trott, Timaru, and Mrs Barrell, Riccarton, addressed the meeting. One new member joined up. Mrs McKeown was appointed delegate to attend District Convention.

GRANTY.—Sept. Attendance seven, disappointing. Mrs Moore read paper entitled "Friendship." Home meeting at the residence of Mrs Bollitho on 4th October, and collection there for the Willard Home. We very much regret losing our President, who is leaving the district. On behalf of the members, Mrs Robinson wished Mrs Moore a successful and happy term in her new home. Mrs Smallbone sang a solo; afternoon tea was served.

HENDERSON.—Sept. 19. Good attendance of members and friends. Mrs Platt presided. Agreed to allow Std. 5, as well as Std. 6, write essay on Temperance, for which we give prizes. Mrs Lee-Cowie then addressed the meeting; her chief point was to educate. She stressed very much the need for parents to know the effect of alcohol, and for all men, women and children, to learn how harmful it is, so that public opinion will be strong enough to carry prohibition and also to keep it. We all enjoyed her witty humour and scientific facts, and a very hearty vote of thanks was carried with acclamation. Afternoon tea served.

HOKITIKA.—Sept. 25. First Voters' Banquet, fifty first voters present. The Mayoress was Toast Mistress, and following toasts were honoured:—(1) "The King;" (2) "Our Guests, first voters," proposed by Mr Cyril Burton, replied to by Misses G. Musgrove and Davidson; (3) "N.Z. Alliance," Rev. E. P. Blamires, replied to by Mr F. W. Osborn and Miss P. Wells; (4) "Y.M.A.A." by Mrs Bassett, replied to by Mr C. P. Russell; (5) "W.C.T.U.," by Mr P. Renton, replied to by Misses Potts and Duff; (6) "Our Guests of Honour," by Mrs Lynn, replied by Rev. E. P. Blamires and Cyril Burton. Songs by Miss Duff and Miss Davidson; pianoforte solo by Miss P. Wells. Community singing indulged in, and the beautiful Birthday Cake, illuminated by 21 candles, was cut by Mr D. Stevenson, the first voter whose birthday was nearest to the Banquet Evening.

HAWERA.—Sept. 28. Mrs Curtis presided. Deep regret expressed at the resignation of our President owing to continued ill-health, and earnest wishes for her recovery. Votes of sympathy to Mrs Ollernshaw and Mrs Dymond in their bereavements. Arrangements for Shop Day on October 13th.

HAVELOCK N.—Sept. 28. Good attendance. Mrs Speight presiding. Mrs Mossman read beautiful passages from "Come Ye Apart," by J. R. Miller, D.D. Arrangements made for holding a combined meeting on Maori Day at Tomoana. Being Franchise Day, an interesting and instructive paper was read on "How the Franchise Was Won."

Nominations for officers called for in writing. A vote of thanks was passed to Mrs Webb for singing to us, and to Mrs Gilbertson for afternoon tea.

HAMILTON.—Oct. 4. Mrs Jones presided. Devotional address by Mrs Peryman. Mr Thorpe, Child Welfare Officer, gave a very interesting account of the work of his department. Mrs Mitchell and Mrs Robertson appointed delegates to District Convention. 10s. 6d. voted affiliation fee to National Council; £1 towards Temperance charts.

KUMBU.—Sept. 5. Eleven present, Vice-President in the chair. One new member and one gentleman honorary member. Vice-President gave a short talk re benefit of having women on public bodies. Afternoon tea.

Sept. 7. Combined afternoon, given by Church and W.C.T.U. members to farewell Mrs Rummins, late Secretary of the Union. Mrs Wilson, Vice-President, spoke of the very fine work done by Mrs Rummins, both for the Church and the Union. Presentation of a cheque was made. Mrs Rummins suitably replied. Competition won by Miss Farrand. Song, Miss Smith. Afternoon tea.

LEVIN.—Sept. 14. Splendid meeting; Mrs Cummins, President, presided; seventeen members present. Mr Kingston, Alliance gave a very helpful and instructive address. Since Miss C. M. McLay's visit, good work has been done amongst our young people. One new member gained at Home meeting.

LUMSDEN.—Sept. 23. Meeting in the Presbyterian Church, presided over by Miss A. M. McLay, Dominion Organizer, who briefly outlined the commencement and growth of the W.C.T.U. in this and other lands, and emphasised the great need for education amongst the women of the Dominion in the principles for which the W.C.T.U. stands. Unanimously agreed to form a local branch, twelve ladies joining. The following officers were appointed:—Acting Pres., Mrs Renwick, Presbyterian Manse; Sec., Mrs Thomson, Box 52, Lumsden; Treas., Mrs Dey, Lumsden. Meetings 3rd Wednesday, at 3 p.m., in Presbyterian Church.

LAWRENCE.—Sept. 10. Mrs Bowie in the chair. Letter on "Prohibition in U.S.A." from Dr. Cherrington read, also remit from Mosgiel Convention. Decided to canvas members for Willard Home appeal. Paper on "Frances Willard" by Mrs Hiett read. In connection with Willard Home appeal, this paper was very appropriate.

MASTERTON.—Oct. 4. Mrs Cocker presided, good attendance. Decided to undertake responsibility in connection with Miss Holder's visit to Masterton, and Committee appointed to arrange various functions. Miss McGregor as Convenor. The Secretary reported, that owing to bereavement, Mrs Weston had been unable to attend District Convention. Vote of sympathy to her and Miss Wingate was passed. £1 donated to Maori Fund, and £2 to Willard Home. Arrangements for Polling Day luncheons and teas. Secretary to make arrangements for annual Pay-Up Social, to be held on November 3rd. Secretary reported literature regularly distributed, and Mrs Walker offered to see that Railway waiting-rooms are kept supplied.

MAUNGATUROTO.—Sept. 26. Meeting at Manse, eight members present and two visitors; Mrs Bycroft presided. Secretary reported Band of Hope meeting to be arranged. Social Afternoon to be held about October 31st, and Mothers' Day in November. Secretary read report of District Convention; three delegates from our Union. Great disappointment at rejection of Licensing Bill, and strong comment passed on action of members reversing their votes, also treatment of absent members' votes. Interesting paper by Mrs Flower entitled, "What Next."

MAKOTUKU.—Sept. 11. Presided over by Mrs Pothergill, President. Most of the members present. Miss Heaton gave an encouraging and helpful talk, urging us not to be discouraged, but to do our part and leave results with God. Miss Olsen, of Norsewood, was also present. Afternoon tea was served at the close.

MIRAMAR.—Sept. 13. Fairly well attended. Mrs Foothead in the chair. Greetings received from President, who is in Nelson. A vote of sympathy with Mrs D. W. Millar in the loss of her husband was passed. Mrs Reid and Mrs Millar elected delegates to District Convention. Miss Kirk spoke of the maintenance laws. She spoke with approval of the Bill before the House concerning the

registration and segregation of the feeble-minded. Great encouragement was given to those canvassing for the poll, and the great need for prayers stressed. Franchise Day collection taken.

MOERA (Wellington).—Sept. 20. New Union formed by Miss C. M. McLay, Y. Organizer. Officers: Pres., Mrs Reynolds; Vice-Pres., Mrs Lopdell; Sec., Mrs Paris, Treas., Mrs Cameron; Cradle Roll Supts., Mrs Beattie and Mrs Rogers. Members of Lower Hutt Union assisted and provided afternoon tea.

NEW BRIGHTON.—Sept. 20. Mrs J. Bellamy presided; attendance good. Motion of sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr J. Gamble, donation of 10s. was made to the Willard Home. Annual Temperance Parade to be held on Sunday, November 4th, and North and South Brighton branches be asked to co-operate in this movement, also Y. branches and Bands of Hope. To commemorate Franchise Day, Mrs Lowry, President Cashmere W.C.T.U., gave an excellent paper on "How the Franchise was Won in N.Z.," and was accorded a hearty vote of thanks. Afternoon tea served.

NEW PLYMOUTH.—Sept. 26. Very wet and stormy; Mrs X. Jones presided, very large attendance. Pay-Up Social, and Mrs Drew gave a report of the visit to the Hurford Road Band of Hope. A duet was given by Misses Cannell and Loveridge, and a violin solo by Miss Dowling, the items being much appreciated. Miss Cole, Secretary Y.W.C.A., brought greetings from the Honolulu W.C.T.U., and expressed her pleasure at having the opportunity of addressing us. Mrs Denton Leach, Dominion Secretary of the League of Nations, gave a brief address on the "Pan-Pacific Conference." Seamen's Rest report acknowledged; gifts of apples, books, coal, flowers, magazines, music and plants from numerous friends and well-wishers. A very hearty vote of thanks was passed to all who had helped to make the meeting a success, also to those who provided afternoon tea.

NORMANBY.—Sept. 12. Owing to boisterous weather, attendance small, Mrs Fletcher kindly inviting members to the Manse. Correspondence from Alliance, Willard Home, and paper on "Anti-Gambling" was read. Afternoon tea was then served.

NAPIER.—Mrs Leask presided. Mrs Brocklehurst led devotion; seventeen members present. Glad to welcome Mrs Grayling after her long illness. Welcome extended to Miss Kirkwood, Alliance Secretary. Mrs Hull gave a report of District Convention, at which Napier was well represented. Reported sixty on Cradle Roll. L.T.L. to be formed on October 13th, Mrs Pepperill in charge. Maori Day to be observed by visiting Maori Pah at Tomoana on October 13th. November meeting to take the form of a Pay-Up Social, when it is hoped that members will either be present or send subs along.

N.E. VALLEY.—Sept. Fair attendance. Mrs Peart presided, and received a vote of congratulation on her appointment as District President. Letters of sympathy to sick members. Mrs Coulter read report of District Convention. Mrs Peart read "What Has Prohibition Done for America."

OTAHUHU.—Oct. 4. Splendid gathering. Mrs West and Mrs Henderson gave reports of District Convention. Mrs McArthur read a very interesting paper on "Prayer," and was listened to with great attention. One new member.

ONEHUNGA.—Sept. 13. Good attendance. Resolved to hold a Bring and Buy Sale in December, in aid of the Willard Home. Letter of thanks received from Mrs Ormiston for loving greetings, and bouquet presented on her 100th birthday. Mrs Fordyce, Junr., appointed Superintendent of the Birthday League. President then introduced Sister Nicholls, who spoke of the work of the W.C.T.U. among the Maoris of North Auckland, telling of the difficulties of the work and some of its success, pleading for our help and prayers on their behalf. A vote of thanks was passed to Sister Nicholls. Collection for Maori work realised £1 10s. 9d.

OTAKI.—Sept. 12. Met at President's home, Miss Lee presided; seven present. Willard Home appeal received, also Treasurer's report of visit to Home and of District Committee meeting. Hearty thanks to Treasurer for comprehensive report. Resolved to ask for proxy at District Convention. Annual report forwarded. Mrs Moyes com-

tributed an exceptionally fine paper on "How the Franchise was Won in New Zealand." All honour to the noble band of men and women who achieved so much for us. Reported that Miss C. M. McLay visited Otaki and addressed special meeting of members and friends on 29th August. Good number present, most profitable time spent. Appeal to members to have greater faith in their cause. Interesting charts and posters exhibited. Welcomed our first Maori White Ribboner.

PONSONBY.—Sept. 20. Miss Read presided over a good attendance of members. Mrs Paterson, delegate to the District Convention just concluded, gave a good report of the proceedings. It being Franchise Day, Miss Read emphasised the importance of women and girls making use of the great privilege, which many did not seem to appreciate. A collection was taken up amounting to 2s. 3d.

PAPAROA.—Sept. Thirty members and friends present. An address by Miss McCorkindale was much enjoyed. A strong campaign Committee was formed, and we believe that our vision has been widened to some purpose. Reported that a concert (arranged by the Secretary) was given for the purpose of meeting the expenses of the delegate. It was a very popular event (including Tableaux) and after the concert, two dozen copies of the "White Ribbon" were distributed, with the object of increasing the circulation of that excellent publication.

PAPAROA.—Sept. 21. The President, Mrs J. Hames, presided; good attendance. An invitation was extended to Mrs Lee-Cowie, District President, to visit Paparoa Union on the 12th of October. Decided to hold a public meeting in the Drill Hall at night, all members to unite in making this meeting a success. A reading was given by Mrs J. Hames from the "Life of Agnes Slack," which was most interesting and helpful.

PUKEHUA.—Vice-President occupied the chair. Mrs McFarlane read a lecture given by a reformed drunkard of "His Life as a Drunkard." Mrs Sage then addressed the meeting, showing the evils of alcohol on the human body, and gave some of her experience as a nurse with alcoholic patients. Mrs McLean and Mrs Samson served afternoon tea.

PALMERSTON N.—Oct. 5. Good attendance. Maori Day. Apologies for absence were received from several members, and a telegram read from the Maori Union at Foxton. Mrs Ritchie gave the scientific fact on "Alcohol." Mrs J. R. Stephens gave a most interesting talk on "Maori Ways and Legends," and received a hearty vote of thanks. Mrs T. Young gave a brief report of the Convention. A visitor, Mrs Docksey, was welcomed, and she spoke of the good prohibition was doing in America. Mrs Bird-sall spoke on the Willard Home. Mrs Chittenden delegate to Area Council. One new member initiated.

PETONE.—Sept. 4. Eight members present; Mrs Annalt presided. Discussion re correspondence. Secretary to write and ask if Miss McLay could come and speak to us during her stay in the Valley. Mrs Annalt was appointed delegate to District Convention. Mrs Crowther brought literature from Women's Campaign. Meeting closed with repeating of pledge.

Sept. 19. Mrs Carter presided. Miss McLay, a most fluent speaker, addressed us from Ephesians, 6th chapter, 12th to 17th verses; most appropriate subject for our great campaign. Two new members. Afternoon tea dispensed.

PAPAROA.—Sept. 13. Mrs Simpson presided; good attendance. Reported that one Home meeting had been held, and arrangements were made to hold another early in October, in conjunction with the Styx branch. Reported that Band of Hope had been very well attended. Representatives from Belfast, Styx and Shirley branches were present. It being Franchise Day, Mrs Merriam read some extracts from the "White Ribbon" on the work that had been taken up by the women since the Franchise. Collection for the N.Z. Fund. Decided to hold a Bring and Buy Afternoon at the next meeting.

PAPAROA.—Oct. 4. Fifteen members and friends were present. Three new members were inducted. The President, Mrs P. R. Hubbard, in the chair. 5s. sent to District Fund. Paper read on "Gambling." Statement read on the Licensing Bill. Seven

books of 60 Prohibition Stickers sold. Afternoon tea was served.

RICCARTON.—Sept. 20. Attendance fair; Mrs C. Barrell presided. Rev. B. J. James spoke on "The Parable of the Talents." Members urged to attend Convention. Invitations sent out to Y. members to attend a Y. Rally on Wednesday evening. Hearty welcome extended to Mrs Norrie. President of Timaru Union, who feelingly replied. Being Franchise Day, President read a few of the Acts that have been passed since women gained the Franchise. Donations of £1 1s. sent to Willard Home and 10s. to N.Z. Fund. Interesting address given by Mrs McKenzie on "Alcohol, a Cell Poison," who spoke of the need to educate, legislate and co-operate to eliminate.

RAETIHI.—Sept. Wet weather, not a large attendance; Mrs Griffin, President, presided. We celebrated Franchise Day. Mrs Kuecke read a pamphlet on "How we Won the Franchise in New Zealand," a very instructive and interesting paper. Three new members. Donation was sent to Willard Home.

RAETIHI.—Oct. 5. Mrs Sandford in the chair. Decided to hold a prayer meeting every Friday afternoon from now until Polling Day. A very instructive paper was read entitled, "Pre-Natal Influences," also an article was read by Mrs Scarrow, written by Archbishop Averill, showing the attitude of the Church of England on the liquor question. Two new members initiated.

SYDENHAM.—Sept. 6. Fair attendance, presided over by Mrs Archer. A silent vote of sympathy with Mrs Webb was passed in her recent bereavement. Mrs Johnson was appointed "White Ribbon" Agent. Mrs Gilmour appointed delegate to Convention. Franchise Day; Mrs Lowry gave an interesting address on "Laws Passed Since Women had been Given the Franchise." Afternoon tea served.

Oct. 4. Maori Day, good attendance. For work in connection with the election, several members volunteered. Mrs Gilmour gave an interesting report of the Convention. Miss Kirkwood and Miss Woolcock, Maori Deaconesses, spoke of the evil effects that alcohol had on the Maori race, and urged the white people to do all in their power to rid New Zealand of this great evil. They sang an enjoyable duet in their native tongue. Bring and Buy Sale and special collection for Maori Fund. Afternoon tea served.

SHIRLEY (St. Alban's).—Oct. 3. Mrs Day took the chair. Mrs Owers and Mrs Day read very interesting reports on the late Convention. Mrs Clime opened and closed the meeting with prayer.

SUMNER.—Oct. 3. Mrs McArar presided; fair attendance. Arrangements made for the next Home meeting, to be held at Redcliffs. Rev. R. A. Penn explained the methods of organising work in connection with the No-License Campaign. Members were asked to canvas the Borough; those present offered to do so. Afternoon tea served by the ladies of the Presbyterian Church.

STRATFORD.—Sept. Good attendance; Mrs McCallum in the chair. A most inspiring address was read by a member. The annual appeal from Willard Home. Decided to again double, if possible, our last year's donation. Afternoon tea for Hospital was arranged for. Several home meetings have been held during the month, the Superintendent reporting that so far these meetings had been the means of our gaining several new members. Quotations were read from several medical men, including Sir Victor Horsley, M.D., and Dr. Sturge, showing the harmful effect of ale and stout when taken by nursing mothers.

Sept. Social Afternoon to commemorate Franchise Day. Good attendance, and a very happy afternoon was spent. Impromptu, three-minute speeches were given, four ladies competing. Our delegate gave an interesting report of work done at the District Convention. Songs were rendered during the afternoon, and were much appreciated. Three new members initiated. Afternoon tea handed round.

SPREYDON.—Sept. 11. Mrs Nairn presided, good attendance. Mrs Woodcock elected delegate to District Convention. Miss White and Mrs Bowden to represent Spreydon in providing afternoon tea at same. Mrs Richards gave an inspiring address, which

was much appreciated by all present, and was followed by a hearty vote of thanks to her. The social half-hour followed.

SHIRLEY (St. Alban's).—Sept. Mrs Adkins (President) in chair. Bring and Buy Sale was held, and goods soon disposed of. The coming Convention was the chief topic; we decided to help with tea on the 26th. Mrs Adkins, Mrs Owers (Treasurer) and Mrs M. G. Muff (Hon. Secretary) promised to represent our meeting.

TAUMARUNUI.—Sept. 12. Sister Allison presided. Fair attendance. Resolved that £1 be sent to Willard Home. W.C.T.U. members to provide tea for the Alliance Convention. Franchise Day. The leaflets, "How we Won the Franchise in New Zealand," "What we have done with the Franchise," and "What New Zealand Women have gained since 1893," were read by each of three members.

TIMARU.—Sept. 25. Franchise Day celebrated. Mrs Low in chair. Urged women to use privilege, and instanced the large number of women who did not vote at last election. Apologies received from Mrs Norrie, Mrs Seward, Mrs Don and Mrs Cave. Literature issued and pledge repeated. Hospital and Sailor's Rest reports received. Mrs Gordon appointed Union's representative on W.E.A. Council. Campaign work discussed, and cards from Alliance distributed among members. Donation from Ashburton Union received for the Sailor's Rest. Vote of thanks for this annual evidence of interest.

TAURANGA.—Sept. 7. Welcome social for Miss McCorkindale. Very wet afternoon; present, representatives of the Girl Guide Association, the Plunket Society, the Alliance and Church Guilds. The President welcomed and introduced Miss McCorkindale, and presented her with a bouquet of spring flowers tied with a White Ribbon Bow from the W.C.T.U. Representatives of each Society spoke a few words of welcome, then Miss McCorkindale addressed the meeting for nearly an hour, giving us many new and inspiring ideas. Afternoon tea was served.

Sept. 21. Arranged for a delegate to South Auckland Convention. Correspondence dealt with. One new member received. Afternoon tea.

TE AWAMUTU.—Sept. In spite of bad weather, 27 members and friends attended our first meeting. Mrs Cribb gave a most interesting address on "Life in Shanghai." Mrs Enticott presided, and Mrs Alexander moved the vote of thanks. Decided to hold our monthly meeting on the second Thursday of each month, at 2 p.m.

TE AWAMUTU.—Oct. 5. Mrs Feryman addressed the meeting on the subject of "Economic Waste," "Waste of Child Life," and the "Success of Prohibition in America." Mrs J. B. Wilson presided. Musical items were given by Mesdames E. White and R. Andrews. During the discussion which followed the address, Mrs Trill quoted incidents of American life and customs which supported the remarks of the lecturer.

WAIKUKU.—Sept. 28. Good attendance, including some new members. The President, Mrs Fenwick, presided, and introduced Mrs Lee-Cowie to the meeting, who gave a most eloquent address. Afternoon tea was handed round.

WAITARA.—Sept. 21. Good attendance; Mrs Clayton read extracts from paper on "Gambling." Miss Bicheno read a paper "What Have We Done with the Franchise." £1 was voted for Willard Home, and members urged to bring clothes for a parcel for the Home.

WAIROA.—Sept. 11. Captain Laskey in chair. Decided to hold Bring and Buy to raise funds for Willard Home. Mrs MacDonald spoke on the work of Frances Willard, and the wonderful things accomplished by the praying band of women. Afternoon tea was served by Mrs Alexander, it being her birthday. Collection for N.Z. Fund, 6s.

Sept. 25. A meeting for prayer was held in the North Clyde Sunday Schoolroom. Just five came, but we claimed the promise "Where two or three," and were richly blessed. A beginning; we hope to hold another next month.

WYNDHAM.—Sept. Sale of cakes and produce—over £5 taken; £7 sent to Organising Fund. September 28th, members visited Glenham with Miss McLay. An interesting address given, two new members and one "White Ribbon" subscriber. Went by motor

lorry, and had to walk where the lorry could not go through the mud.

WANGANUI CENTRAL.—Oct. 4. Decided to join in the Peace Demonstration on Armistice Day. A Garden Party in aid of the Willard Home to be arranged. Two new members for the Cradle Roll. Franchise Day meeting was addressed by Rev. J. Paterson, who spoke most inspiringly and helpfully on "Constructive Citizenship." Votes of thanks passed, and arrangements made for local canvassing. The Bring and Buy Stall disposed of all its goods.

WAIMATE.—Sept. Good attendance, presided over by Mrs Roy. Arrangements made for holding Street Sale. Decided to order four sets of Temperance charts. Four members appointed to relieve at Rest Room for the month. It being the Thirty-fifth Anniversary of the granting of the Franchise to the women of the Dominion, the President read a most interesting paper on "How We Won the Franchise, and what We have Done with it," drawing attention to the long list of humanitarian laws that had since been placed upon the Statute Book. Two things we have failed to do, and they are, carrying prohibition and getting women into Parliament. Afternoon tea brought to a close an interesting and instructive meeting. Copies of "How We Won the Franchise" given to all present. Local paper published full report of paper read.

WELLINGTON.—Oct. 3. Cradle Roll Afternoon, when the mothers and the children on the Cradle Roll were entertained. Mrs Mowlem, President, welcomed the visitors, after which a programme of songs and recitations was given by a number of the young people present, and thoroughly enjoyed by the adults present. Afternoon tea was handed round, and the small guests were amused with games and the distribution of toys, books, sweets and paper caps. Three new members were initiated, and several babies were added to the Cradle Roll.

ANIMAL WELFARE WEEK.

Once again we remind ourselves and would remind our children of the need of kindness to those who cannot speak for themselves, and whom we call our dumb friends. From October 25th to the 31st, Animal Welfare Week is to be observed. We hope every L.T.L. will have a lesson on this; that our Unions will study it during that week; that teachers and leaders everywhere will learn themselves and pass on to others the many ways in which we can stop cruelty to dumb animals. We may profitably study how our manner of living, the food we eat and the clothes we wear, are prepared at the cost of suffering to those who are weak and unable to defend themselves. Also, it is well for White Ribboners to study the question of vivisection, and seek information as to whether the Righteous Ruler of the Universe ordered health to man as the result of suffering to His animal creation.

Sunday, 28th, is Animal Sunday, when it is hoped ministers and Sunday School teachers will bring the matter before their scholars. Full particulars can be had from Mr Forbes, Wansbeck Street, Oamaru.

HOME AND MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

Dear Sisters,

It is drawing to the end of another year. What have Unions done as regards Home meetings? I see by reports in "White Ribbon," that some have done splendid work in my department, for, by Home meetings, they gain more members, and that is what we want. We are once more at the eve of another election, and I would urge upon White Ribboners, and all readers of the "White Ribbon," to work their utmost to gain votes for prohibition. Speak to everyone you come in contact with. Do not be shy, pray for strength and courage to attack the foe; the Liquor Party uses all sorts of means to gain their end, so, dear sisters, let us buckle on the armour and go forth. Let us pray and work that this year shall be our victory. Oh! to think what a happy place New Zealand will be when the liquor evil is banished from our beautiful country. Then we could drive our motors without fear of meeting motorists under the influence of liquor. Then there is the ever-increase in the drinking among our young folks. What an awful shock it must be to a mother when her daughter is brought in drunk after a dance; I know that does happen. Mothers! God has placed a great trust in your hands; so much depends on the home training a child gets. I would ask all mothers to read that beautiful little leaflet, "An Appeal to Mothers;" they would find it a great blessing.

I read an article in the dail paper yesterday, entitled, "The Unemployment in New Zealand." The Liquor Party seems to think that when prohibition is carried, it will increase unemployment. Not so, dear sisters, when prohibition is carried. Look! what will be saved that is now wasted! Don't believe a word the Trade says or writes, for they are strangers to the truth. Again, dear sisters, go forward in faith and prayer to victory.

M. OLSEN,

Dom. Supt.,

Home and Mothers' Meetings.
"The Manse,"
Norsewood.

More alcohol, higher death rate.—
Fisk.

AN APPRECIATION BY A FELLOW WORKER.

The Kaiapoi Branch has recently lost one of its most active and earnest workers, Mrs Stewart, who for many years has been in the forefront of the battle waged against the Liquor Traffic. Service was the keynote of her life, and was the law of happiness to our late friend and comrade.

It was chiefly through her perseverance that our Rest Room and Temperance Hall was built.

For a time Mrs Stewart was Recording Secretary for the Christchurch Branch, and did yeoman service during the first years of the Great War in collecting clothing, packing, and sending it off for the Belgian refugees, and also in organising efforts to raise money for the Union's war funds.

Her energy and enthusiasm were great, and we deeply regret that the earthly activities of our late comrade are ended. At the general meeting of the Christchurch Union Miss Henderson spoke of the great loss sustained in the passing of Mrs Stewart, and proposed a vote of sincere sympathy with the bereaved husband.

FACTS, NOT FANCIES.

The first-aid division of the American Red Cross does not approve of the use of alcohol either as a stimulant, a tonic, or a therapeutic agent.—Lt. Col. C. Connor, Medical Corps, U.S.A.

Dr. Charles Mayo, in Presidential Address to Americal Medical Association in 1917: "Medicine has reached a place where alcohol is rarely employed as a drug, being replaced by better remedies."

Arthur Hunter, Actuary to New York Life Insurance Company: "It is certainly proved that total abstainers are longer lived than non-abstainers."

"Alcohol paves the way for germ, organic and vice diseases."

Statistics of 43 American Life Insurance Companies, showed liquor business was hazardous for health. Workers in breweries had a death rate 52 per cent. above normal.

"Y" PAGE.

OUR FIRST BALLOT.

My Dear Y's,—

Many of you will just now be preparing to cast your first vote. Will you remember that this privilege was won for you by the labours and the struggles and the sacrifices of a past generation. Manhood suffrage in the British Empire is not yet a century old. The vote was held only by the few, the property owner and the free burghers, whose heritage it was. It was won for every man quite recently. Womanhood suffrage was still more recently won, and in our Dominion we have had the franchise only 35 years. We ought to have done more in that time. Will you, my dear Wise girls, help us to accomplish much this poll. Your vote is a (1) **Privilege**: Look upon it as a privilege to cast a ballot to help to make our Dominion a cleaner, wholesomer land for the children who are coming. The women of the past won this privilege for you, in the certain trust that you would use it for the good of the generations yet unborn. Will you prove worthy of their trust?

(2) **A Responsibility**: One you dare not shirk. Cast it carefully, listen to what older folk may say, but it is yours to make the choice. Cast it prayerfully, seek for the wisdom from above. Then vote as you know your great King would have you vote. Cast your ballot, your coveted first vote, so that all your life you may be proud of it. Vote for the candidate you can be proud of as your representative. Vote against an evil trade, a trade you never could be proud to point to as your choice. Let your first vote be your joy now and your pride through all the years to come.

What do we need to keep the nation whole,

To guard the pillars of the State?

We need the Cromwell fire to make us feel

The common burden and the public trust

To be a thing as sacred and august
As the white vigil where the angels kneel—

We need the faith to go a path untrod,

The power to be alone and vote with God.

TRANSFORMED TIMOTHY.

III.

To turn to Tattersall's tavern. The trooper that truckled to Timothy Turntap transferred Tom to the thoroughfare; then Timothy tried to thrust Tom's trite truths there, too. They tarried, though, to trouble the transgressor. "'Tis true," thought Timothy, "that throughout the town there's terrible trouble—tippling, tears, tatters—ten thousand terrors—through the tempting traffic termed 'the Trade'! Tatters through the Tattersall! That's the truth!" Then tried to think. "Tut, tut, that's teetotal twaddle; tell that to the Tents!" The "twaddle" tarried, though tormenting Tim terribly. Truly the transgressor's track tends to trouble! Timothy turned taciturn. Then told the tradesmen that took the Tattersall tittle: "Those that take to this, take to trouble." They told the tidings throughout the town, "Timothy Turntap's turning teetotaller! talking temperance trash!" Thereupon Tottie Tape telegraphed to Ted Truelove, then travelling through the territory, to treat the Tents to tonic talks. Ted took the twelve twenty-two train to Tenbartown. Then Tottie told Thomas Thrifty, telephoned to Theodore Thankful. Thereupon the trusty temperance trio took the tooting taxi to the Tattersalls, taking trim Thomas Tape. The truckling trooper that threatened to tether Tom (then there trying Timothy's tobacco, tippling, too), tiptoed through twisty turnings to the thoroughfare. The teetotal team tackled Timothy (ticklish task, that!) Trying to thwart them, Timothy took "Table Talk," traversing the themes therein. Then turned touchy; then temporised; then tolerated; then thoughtfully tended to their table talk. This tractableness tempted them to try tenaciously, till Timothy tearfully told them "These touching truths thoroughly transfuse this transgressor." The teeming tears trickled to the table. Then, transcending triumph! Timothy Turntap turned teetotaller, too, transforming the tempting, tppling tavern to a thriving temperance tavern, there tending toothsome "tucker"—tea, toast, tarts, tempting tit-bits—to tired, thirsty travellers. Then Timothy took to the Tenbartown Tent. This testimony thrilled the

town. "They're turning the tapsters teetotallers," thought the townsmen. "Then 'tis time that trimmers turned, too." Thus the Temperance truths travelled, though to tell thereof truly 'twas tardily that the truth turned tipplers to teetotalism. Though truth teaches, thirst tyrannises, treating tangles, temptation traps.

TO MAKE NEW ZEALAND DRY.

Tune: "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

We will hang John Barleycorn on a tall poplar tree,
With all his evil spirits, whatever they may be.
Wine, beer, and whisky we will sweep into the sea,
To make New Zealand dry.

Chorus.

Glory, glory, hallelujah,
Glory, glory, hallelujah,
Glory, glory, hallelujah,
We will make New Zealand dry.

We are coming, old John Barleycorn,
300,000 strong;
We are out to fight for right, and to end the age-long wrong;
We are coming in our youth, don't you hear us march along,
To make New Zealand dry.

Chorus—Glory, etc.

Oh, think of all the darkened homes and all the ruined lives
Of little children robbed of love, and broken-hearted wives,
Who are often cold and hungry, and often sadly cry:
O would that New Zealand were dry.
Chorus—Glory, etc.

From Auckland's sunny mountains to Southland's fertile plain
We're out upon this great crusade, and never will refrain,
Till all our far-flung Empire shall hear the glorious cry,
New Zealand has gone dry.

Chorus.

Glory, glory, hallelujah,
Glory, glory, hallelujah,
Glory, glory, hallelujah,
New Zealand has gone Dry.

Y REPORTS.

AUCKLAND.—Oct. 1. Miss E. Appleby presided over a good attendance. Miss D. Lees and Miss Eileen Geary recited, Miss Appleby and Miss Adams sang a duet. Sister Nicholls gave a very helpful and interesting address on her work amongst the Maori people. She showed how it is the place of the Pakeha in New Zealand to give up his time in missionary work among the Maoris. A social hour was spent and supper served.

ARATAPU-TE KOPURU.—Sept. 18. Miss V. Taylor presided, good attendance. Mr J. Woodhouse gave a very interesting address on "Work in Poplar (London)," showing the evils of drink. One new member. Social hour and supper.

ASHBURTON.—Sept. 15. The President, Mr N. W. Corbett, presided, there being about 60 present. Misses L. Robinson and E. Prothero appointed delegates to Convention. Decided to give a Concert for the Wakanui Good Templars' Lodge. The subject for discussion was "Y's and otherwise, and how to reach them." Several members gave interesting suggestions, and Rev. Matthews gave some helpful hints on how to obtain new members and keep them. Decided to commence a Membership Campaign, the competition being between the Churches.

BLENHEIM.—Sept. 6. Rev. Fordyce presided. After arrangements were made for the forthcoming Bazaar, the Rev. Fordyce gave an address on "Gambling."

Oct. 4. The President, Mr Frank Smith, presided over a well-attended meeting. Miss McLay gave an interesting talk on "The Work of the Y's." A debate on "Is War Justifiable," Mr Roy McCallum and Mr Frank Cook taking the affirmative, and Mr Cyril Everden and Mr Frank Smith for the negative; the affirmative won by two votes.

DUNEDIN.—Sept. 17. Meeting held in our new room (first Church Bible Class.) After being welcomed, Miss Bradshaw gave a very interesting talk about some of her work. Parcel sent to both Borstal Institute and men in Back-Blocks.

KOHIMARAMA.—Sept. 12. Very good attendance. Miss Betty Clarke presided. Devotions. Roll called, answered by Temperance facts; pledge repeated. Superintendent gave an address on "Wine, and the danger of taking the first glass."

Sept. 19. Miss Hubben, Vice-President, presided; good attendance. Devotions led by Miss Molly Claridge. Motto and pledge repeated. Readings from back numbers of "White Ribbons." Mrs Kasper, Superintendent, gave a short report of District Convention.

LEVIN.—Sept. 18. Good attendance met Miss C. M. McLay. Mr Astridge presided. Miss McLay spoke most impressively to the young people, and eight new members were initiated. Three speakers made their first attempts at public speaking, and acquitted themselves well. Officers were elected:—Vice-Pres., Rev. Crocket; Supervisor, Mr Swift; W.R. Agent, Miss Cairns; Reporter, Mr T. E. Petersen.

NEW BRIGHTON.—Sept. 14. The President presided, good attendance. Misses M. and E. Diehl, M. Moses and O. Gibb to attend District Convention. Paper cuttings on the following subjects, "What Sunday Should Be," "The Boy and Home Life," and the "Licensing Bill," were given by members and fully discussed. Supper was served.

PICTON.—Aug. 1. At the home of Mr Head. Scripture reading, singing and music. Aug. 29. Mrs Burrough gave an inspiring address, "Don't Pitch your Tent too Near Sodom." Social hour and supper. (Reports delayed by sickness of Secretary.—Ed., W.R.).

Sept. 24. At the home of Mrs Head. A very helpful paper on "Influence." Copies of "Ten Points" distributed among our members. Social hour, followed by supper.

WANGANUI.—Sept. 5. Nineteen present, presided over by Miss McKay. Mrs Goodey gave a very interesting talk on "Hiding a Light under a Bushel." Miss McKay's reading on "Side-lights of Shakespeare," was greatly appreciated by all. Decided to hold all future meetings on the first, instead of the fourth Wednesday. Supper, and a delightful social hour.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE SPEAKERS' CLASS SPEECH COMPETITION.

Five-minute addresses on "Prohibition Promotes Prosperity":

- (a) The Health of the Nation.
- (b) The Economic Evidence.
- (c) A Practical Programme for Public Safety.

Select three speakers, and present a book prize to the winner. May I recommend a book prize which I have found inspiring? Agnes E. Slack, "Two Hundred Thousand Miles' Travel for Temperance in Four Continents." This book may be had from Auckland Band of Hope Union, 312 Queen Street, Auckland, for 2/9, including postage, dispensed by Mrs M. Morehu.

TO WOMANHOOD.

(A Message on the Eve of the Poll.)

In bond of womanhood, I to thee write,

Praying that with due thought thou'lt wield thy might;

Fret not for Revenue, nor fear for Crimes;

Thou need'st not! is the foreword of our Nation's sanest minds,

But think thou of the young whose care is ours.

Ours is the work to train them to be powers

For weal or woe.

In days long past our Great Example worked

And prayed—wielding afresh His heaven gained dower.

"Suffer the Children" was His word and cause them not to fall,

We follow His behest if we safeguard them all.

DRINK'S A FELL DANGER! Let us then use our might

And, voting, make THAT Law, which is the right,

Then PURITY and TRUTH to children shall be Towers,

EVIL—a foe.

APITI. 1st Thursday in Presbyterian Church at 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs Murray; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Gill and Wilson; Sec., Miss F. Malcolm; Treas., Mrs Gould; W.R. Agent, Miss McKenzie.

ARAMOHO. 4th Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres. (Acting) Mrs Duxfield; Cor. Sec., Mrs Gilmore, 2 Paterson Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs R. C. Good, Robert's Avenue; Treas., Mrs Coddington, Robert's Avenue; W.R. Agent, Mrs Suddaby, Cumbræ Place.

ASHBURTON. 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Baring Square Schoolroom. Pres., Ensign Mrs Moore, Cameron Street East, Ashburton; Treas., Mrs A. Saunders, Kermode Street West, Ashburton; Sec., Miss E. Trevurza, 169 Peter Street East, Ashburton; "White Ribbon" Agent, Miss A. Watson, 84 Cameron Street West, Ashburton.

ASHBURTON "Y's." 3rd Saturday, 7.30 p.m., Baring Square Hall. Pres., Mr N. W. Corbett, 47 Racecourse Road; Sec., Mr F. H. E. Silcock, 36 Moore Street; Treas., Miss D. Glassey, 45 Havelock Street; W.R. Agent, Mr J. W. Beck, 64 Beach Road; Supt., Mrs C. S. Matthews, Willis Street.

AUCKLAND. second Tuesday, in the Club Room, Y.W.C.A., Upper Queen Street. Devotional meeting, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs Cook, 17 Esplanade Road, Mt. Eden; Cor. Sec., Miss N. Dewar, Pompallier Terrace, Ponsonby; Rec. Sec., Mrs J. W. Taylor, Sentinel Road, Ponsonby; Treas., Mrs Dowling, 6 Pompallier Terrace; W.R. Agent, Miss Hill, Russell Crescent, Ellerslie.

AUCKLAND Y's. 1st Monday, at 7.30 p.m., in France Street Methodist Mission Hall. Supt., Miss Pyle, 8 Stokes Rd., Mt. Eden; Pres., Miss Appleby, 28 Brentwood Avenue; Vice-Pres., Mrs Lee-Cowie, 8 Stokes Road; Rec. Sec., Miss L. Adams, 50 Collingwood St., Ponsonby; Cor. Sec., Miss F. Hullah, 8 Fourth Avenue, Kingsland; Treas., Mr S. Smith, Church Street, Avondale; W.R. Agent, Miss Appleby, 28 Brentwood Avenue.

BALCLUTHA. 1st Tuesday, 3 p.m., P.W.M.U. Classroom, S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs Cations, James Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs J. Stephens, James Street; Treas., Miss Tosh, Toshvale; Cor. Sec. and White Ribbon Agent, Mrs J. Geggie, Rosebank.

BIRKENHEAD. 3rd Thursday, at 2 p.m., Methodist Classroom. Pres., Mrs Todd, The Crescent; Sec., Mrs Brodie, Seddon Street, Chelsea; Cor. Sec., Miss Toyer, Hine-moa Street; Treas. and W. R. Agent, Miss R. Le Roy, 6 Lytton Street, Devonport.

BLENHEIM. first Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs W. M. Smith, Middle Renwick Rd.; Sec., Mrs V. Underhill, Yelverton; Treas., Mrs T. Pike, "The Laurels," W.R. Agent, Mrs W. Pike, Main St.; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs A. Braddock, 86 Maxwell Rd.; Literature, Mrs W. Chuck, Bomford St.; Libraries, Mrs Lane, Dashwood St.

BLUFF. 1st Friday, Willard Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Donaldson, Barrow Street; Sec., Miss Mitchell, Ocean Beach; Cor. Sec., Mrs W. H. Johnston, Foyle Street; Treas., Mrs W. Barker, Foyle Street.

BRIGHTON UNION. 3rd Thursday, 2.15 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs H. Hall, Wainui St., Bexley; Rec. Sec., Mrs M. Moses, 140 Lonsdale Street, N.B.; Cor. Sec., Mrs F. M. Mitchell, 387 Park Road, N.B.; Treas., Mrs N. Fraser, River Road, N.B.; W.R. Agent, Mrs H. McIlroy, Breezes Road, Aranui.

CHRISTCHURCH. W.C.T.U. Rooms, 247 Manchester Street, 2nd and 4th Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss Henderson, 9 Straven Road, Riccarton; Cor. Sec., Mrs Ruth Day, 92 Edward Avenue, St. Alban's; Rec. Sec., Miss Thomas, 34 Crammer Square, Christchurch; Treas., Mrs Richards, 14 Morris Street, Avonside; W.R. Supt., Mrs R. Day, 92 Edward Avenue, St. Alban's.

CARTERTON. 1st Wednesday, in Salvation Army Barracks, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Every, Garrison St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs Raine, Vicarage, High St; Rec. Sec., Mrs Kennerley, Belvedere Rd.; Treas., Mrs Hurley, Pembroke St.; W.R. Agent, Miss Waterson, Pembroke Rd.; Evangelistic, Mrs Tyler; Cradle Roll, Mrs Sayers, Kent Street.

CAMBRIDGE. 2nd Wednesday in month, in Methodist Schoolroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs A. W. Martin, Hamilton Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs Elsie Beer, Stafford Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs B. Moore, Victoria Street; Treas., Mrs Geo. Carter, Victoria Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs E. James, Grosvenor Street.

DANNEVIRKE. meets 2nd Thursday, Methodist Church, 2.45 p.m. Act. Pres., Miss Heaton; Vice-Pres., Mrs Daniel; Sec., Mrs T. Nicholson; Treas., Mrs Sharpley, Princess Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Wright, 227 High Street.

DARGAVILLE, 3rd Tuesday, at 2.30 p.m., in members' homes. Pres., Mrs. Page, Awakino Point; Sec., Miss Andrews, Manga-whare; Treas., Mrs. Noble, Awakino Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Bradley, Muir Road.

DUNEDIN, 1st Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., Baptist S. School, Hanover Street; Pres., Mrs. Hiett, 11 Duke Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs. R. Alexander, 5 Constitution Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Douglas, Littlebourne; Treas., Mrs. Garden, Market Street; Parliamentary Supt., Mrs. Downing, Anderson's Bay; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Blakely, 2 Epsilon Street, Roslyn; Juvenile Work, Mrs. Gail; Home Meetings and Library, Mrs. Hutton.

DUNEDIN SOUTH, meets 2nd Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., in Wesley Schoolroom, Cargill Road. Pres., Mrs. Hinton, 221 Bay View Road; Sec., Mrs. Williamson, 42 Beach Street, St. Clair; Treas., Mrs. Williams, 39 Nelson Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. J. Shacklock, 6 Catherine Street, Caversham.

DEVONPORT, 2nd Wednesday, Congregational Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Burnett, 16 Parnell Road, Auckland; Sec., Mrs. G. F. Day, 27 Hinemoa Avenue; Treas., Mrs. J. Jarvis, Hanlon Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Watson, 15 Kerr Street, Devonport; Cradle Roll, Miss Bishop, Cheltenham, Devonport; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Lamont, North Avenue, Devonport.

ELTHAM, meets 1st Friday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom, King Edward Street. Pres., Mrs. Morrison; Sec., —; Treas., Mrs. L. Prouy; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Streeter, London Street.

EDENDALE (Southland), 1st Thursday at 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. Malcolm; Sec., Miss H. Hall; Treas. and W.R. Agent, Mrs. H. Niven.

EPSOM, 4th Thursday, 2 p.m., in Baptist Church, Inverness Avenue. Pres., Mrs. Neal, 5 Park Crescent, Parnell; Sec., Mrs. Carr, Senr., 27 Fernley Avenue, Epsom; Treas., Mrs. Pirrett, 13 Panama Street, Arch Hill; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Hood, 8 Kipling Avenue, Epsom.

EDEN, meets 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom, Dominion Road. Pres., Mrs. Hayr, 25 Gordon Road, Mt. Eden; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Gaulton and Auld; Cor. Sec., Mrs. G. W. A. Clark, 129 Balmoral Rd.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Johnston, 85 Balmoral Rd.; Treasurer, Mrs. Merson, 552 Mt. Eden Rd.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Cartwright, 315 Dominion Rd.; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs. Gaulton, Elizabeth St.; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Ramsay, 26 Gordon Rd., Mt. Albert.

FAIRLIE, meets every second Wednesday of the month in Presbyterian Sunday Schoolroom, at 2.30. Pres., Mrs. Wilcox; Sec., Mrs. Holland, Sherwood Downs, Fairlie; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Sangster, Kimbell, Fairlie; Treas., Mrs. Riddle, Mt. Cook Road.

FEILDING, 1st Thursday, 2.45 p.m., St. Paul's Hall. Pres., Mrs. Pack, 13 Sandlands St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Tunnicliff, Beattie, Burnley and Hughes; Sec., Miss Watt, 17 Grey St.; Treas., Mrs. McIntyre, Box 11, Evangelistic Supt., Mrs. Tremaine; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Martin, 157 Manchester St.; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Whisker, Kawa Kawa Rd.

GORE, Baptist Church, 4th. Tuesday, 3 p.m., Pres., Mrs. E. C. Smith; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Donald, Rhodes, Stewart; Sec., Mrs. J. Harper; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Day; Treas., Mrs. McAskill; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Stephenson; White Ribbon Agent, Mrs. T. Stevenson.

GREYTOWN, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Sunday School. Pres., Mrs. D. McKenzie; Sec., Mrs. H. Morison, Morison's Bush; Treas., Mrs. A. M. Haigh; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Collins, Oates and Morison; L.T.L. Supt., Mrs. Anker; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs. J. Allen; W.R. Agent, Miss Oates; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Roche.

GREY LYNN, meets 2nd Wednesday, in St. Columba's Hall, Surrey Crescent. Pres., Mrs. Hobday, 32 Dryden Street; Sec., Mrs. Hawkey, 52 Dryden Street; Treas., Mrs. Lewis, 5 Stanmore Road.

GISBORNE, last Tuesday, 2.45 p.m. Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Goffe, Ormond Road; Sec., Miss Spence, 186 Codben Street; Treas., Mrs. Wm. Morris, Clifford Street.

HAWERA, meets last Friday, at 3 p.m., in the Methodist Bible Class Room. Pres., Mrs. Exley, Albion Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames

Hill and Bone; Sec., Mrs. Hayward, 37 Tawhiti Road; Treas., Mrs. Ashton, Albion Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Spavin, 8 Campbell Street.

HAMILTON, 1st Thursday, in St. Paul's, London Street. Pres., Mrs. J. M. Jones, 52 Te Aroha St.; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Gilmour and Mrs. Dixon; Rec. Sec., Mrs. E. G. Johnson, Ruakiwi Rd.; Sec., Mrs. Stephenson Craig, Peachgrove Rd.; Treas., Mrs. E. J. Davey, London St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Watson, Clifton Rd.; Cradle Roll, Miss Ambury, Stanley St.

HENDERSON, 3rd Wednesday, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches alternately, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Platt, Gt. North Rd.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Forsen Stuart, Miss Duncan; Sec., Mrs. L. McKay, Gt. North Rd.; Treas., Mrs. W. Williams, Gt. North Rd.; W.R. Agent, Miss K. Duncan; W.R. Reporter, Mrs. W. Williams.

HASTINGS, 4th Thursday, Meth. Y.M. Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Banks, Southampton Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Darby, Thompson and Paul; Sec., Mrs. Wilson, P.O. Box 273; Treas., Mrs. Emmett, Avenue Road; White Ribbon Agents, Mesdames Paul and Murtagh.

HAVELOCK NORTH, 4th Friday, 2.30 p.m., at Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. H. Speight; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Waugh and Gilbertson; Sec. and W.R. Agent, Miss G. Hill, St. Andrew's Road, Havelock North; Treas., Mrs. Mossman; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Gilbertson.

INGLEWOOD, meets last Wednesday, in Methodist Sunday Schoolroom, at 2.15 p.m. President, Mrs. Simpson; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Mackinder; Treasurer, Miss Young, Waitoriki; Rec. Sec., Miss Johnston; W.R. Agent, Miss Simpson.

INVERCARGILL Y's, meet the first Monday in each month, in the Y.M.C.A. Rooms, Tay Street, at 7.30 p.m. Pres., Miss A. Matheson, Rugby Street; Sec., Miss G. Fraser, C/o Fraser's Store, Elles Road; Treas., Miss Dawson, 283 North Road; Supt., Mrs. Norman James, Robertson Street, Lindisfarne; W.R. Agent, Miss Blake, 45 Teviot Street.

INVERCARGILL CENTRAL BRANCH, meets 1st Tuesday, at 3 o'clock, in the Baptist Church, Esk Street. Pres., pro tem., Mrs. A. H. Lilliecrap, Glencoe R.D., Invercargill; Rec. Sec., Mrs. W. T. Ayson, Deveron St.; Cor. Sec. and W.R. Agent, Mrs. O. E. Johnston, Don St.; Treas., Mrs. L. Lennie, Janet St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Brass Lowe; Cradle Roll, Mrs. F. Cole, 160 McMaster Street.

INVERCARGILL SOUTH, meets every 2nd Tuesday, in St. Peter's Methodist Schoolroom, Elles Road, Enwood, at 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Pasley; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Garrett, Macgregor and Pryde; Cor. Sec., Mrs. McGregor, 266 Crinan Street, Invercargill; Rec. Sec., Miss M. Callum; Treas., Nurse Griffiths; W.R. Agent, Miss McLauchlan.

INVERCARGILL NORTH, meets 3rd Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., alternately Baptist and Presbyterian Churches. President, Mrs. Macartney, 18 King St.; Sec., Miss Langskall, 88 Melbourne St.; Treas., Mrs. Laytham, George St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Martin, 29 Antrim St.; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Fraser, Ellis Rd.

KALAPOI, meets in W.C.T.U. Temperance Hall, High Street, last Wednesday in every month, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Vickery, Fuller Street; Sec., Mrs. Rinaldi, Sewell Street; Asst. Sec., Mrs. Blackwell, Sewell Street; Treas., Miss Evans, Fuller Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Phillips.

LINWOOD, meets last Tuesday in each month, in the Methodist Church, Olivier's Road. Pres., Mrs. Richards, 14 Morris Street, Avonside; Cor. Sec., Mrs. F. Grigg, 200 Rolleston Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs. J. W. Palk, 344 Worcester Street; Treas. and W.R. Agent, Mrs. F. Fuller, 20 Buckley's Road; Cradle Roll, Mrs. L. A. King, 201 Linwood Avenue; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. C. R. N. Mackie, 194 Rolleston Street; Notable Days, Mrs. Bock, Russell Street.

LOWER HUTT, 4th Wednesday, Church of Christ, Queen Street, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Anderson, 16 Copeland St.; Sec., Mrs. R. Aldersley, Brunswick St.; Treas., Mrs. H. Heyes, Pilmuir Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Heyes, Brunswick St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Spencer, Belmont; Librarian, Mrs. Crawford, Waterloo Road.

MARTINBOROUGH, meets in Parish Hall, 1st Wednesday. Pres., Mrs. W. J. Martin, Huangarua; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. A. Tyler, Jellicoe Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. J. Shirkey, Grey Street.

MAUNGATUROTO, 3rd Wednesday, in Forester's Hall. Pres., Mrs. Bycroft, The Manse; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Pasley, Senr.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. H. Flower.

MASTERTON, 1st Thursday, Knox Hall, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. J. C. Cocker, Albert Street; Sec., Mrs. S. J. Smith, High St.; Treas., Mrs. R. Jamieson, Lincoln Rd.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Weston, Mount Bruce Rd.

MAYFIELD, 3rd Thursday, alternately at Ruapuna and Mayfield. Pres., Mrs. Williams, Anama; Sec., Mrs. J. D. Murdock, Mayfield; Treas., Mrs. W. Millar, Mayfield; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Thos. Corbett, Mayfield.

MIRAMAR, 2nd Thursday, 2 p.m., Methodist Church, Devonshire Road. Pres., Mrs. Evans; Sec., Mrs. Berry, 110 Tauhinu Road; Treas., Mrs. Foothead, Miramar Avenue; W.R. Agent, Mrs. E. L. Eggers, Karaka Bay.

MORRINSVILLE, meets 2nd Tuesday, in Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs. Starnes, Allen Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Sage and Mrs. Cooper; Sec., Mrs. Moncrief, Bank Street; Treas., Mrs. Wills, Allen Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Oates, Thames Street.

MOSGIEL, 3rd Tuesday in every month, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Bedford, East Taleri; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Prentice and Logan; Sec., Mrs. M. H. Wilson, Inglis Street; Treas., Mrs. A. Lennox, Gordon Road; Cradle Roll, Miss McLeod, Gordon Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Morton, Forth Street; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs. S. Johnstone.

MOTUEKA, last Wednesday in month, at 2.45 p.m., in Methodist Church. Pres., Miss O. Cresswell, Lower Moutere; Rec. Sec., Miss V. Glover, High Street; Treas., Miss R. Boyce, Poo's Street; W.R. Supt., Mrs. F. Cresswell, Lower Moutere.

NAPIER, 1st Wednesday in Willard Hall, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. M. Leask, Fitzroy Rd.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Macalister and Saunders; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Brocklehurst, 11 Raffles St.; Asst. Sec., Mrs. Oliver; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Hull, 66 Chaucer Rd., North; Treas., Mrs. Wilkinson, Onekopo Valley; Evangelistic, Mesdames Dodds and Wilkinson; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Mens, 111 Nelson Crescent; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Saunders, Macdonald St.; Purity, Mrs. Dunstall; Railway Box, Mrs. Ingram.

NELSON Union, 2nd Tuesday, Methodist Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Watson; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Knapp, Field, Watson, Walker; Sec., Mrs. F. W. O. Smith, "Brookleigh," Brook St.; Treas., Miss F. Cooke, Examiner St.; L.T.L., Mrs. Moyes, Grove St.; Y's, Miss K. Moyes, Grove St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Holloway, 77 Waimea St.

NEW PLYMOUTH, last Wednesday in the month, at 2.45 p.m., Whiteley Hall. Pres., Mrs. X. Jones, Pendarvis St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Griffin, Lardet St.; Sec., Mrs. Craig, Powderham St.; Treas., Miss Drew, M.A. Gilbert St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Dickson, Hillcrest, Carrington Rd.; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Oliver, Upper Carrington Rd.

NORMANBY, 2nd Wednesday, 2 p.m., Presbyterian Hall. President, Mrs. Irvine, Station House, Normanby; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Clement; Sec., Mrs. W. Gane, Normanby; Treas., Mrs. J. Meull, Normanby; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Beaton; White Ribbon Agent, Mrs. W. Bevan, Waihi Road, Hawera.

NORTH-EAST VALLEY, 4th Thursday, 2.45 p.m., Young Men's Institute. Treas., Mrs. Peart, 4 Pine Hill Terrace; Sec., Miss M. Begg, 57 Selwyn Street; Treas., Mrs. Sanders, 57 Frame Street; W.R. Agent, Miss A. Gray, 32 Grey Street.

OAMARU, Baptist Hall, Severn Street, at 2.30 p.m., every 2nd Monday in the month. Pres., Miss A. Webb, 22 Hye Street; Rec. Sec., Miss Cowan, Rother Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Scott, 60 Eden Street; Treas., Miss Smyth, Hull Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Clarke, Reid, Hall and Misses Milligan and Wilson; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Corlett, Eden Street; Evangelistic, Mrs. Williams; Band of Hope, Miss Hilliker; Sick Visitor, Miss M. Milligan; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Twose and Mrs. Edgar.

OPOTIKI, 2nd Thursday, St. John's Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Jas. Thompson; Sec., Mrs J. Gordon; Treas., Mrs M. Downey; W.R. Agent, Mrs Hambly; Cradle Roll Supt., Miss Steele.

OTAHUHU, meets 1st Thursday, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Greenwood, Station Road; Sec., Mrs W. Taylor, Station Road; Treas., Mrs Hall, Waka Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs West, Panmure Road; Cradle Roll, Mrs Handerside; Home Meetings, Mrs Johnston.

OTAUTAU, meets 2nd Thursday, in Presbyterian and Methodist Churches, alternately at 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs E. Harrington; Vice-Pres., Mrs Brooker; Sec., Miss Doman; Treas., Mrs Fisher; W.R. Supt., Mrs E. Harrington; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs A. Harrington.

OXFORD, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Coronation Hall. Pres., Mrs G. Ryde, Cooper's Creek; Vice-Pres., Mrs D. Hawke; Sec., Mrs C. W. Tritt, East Oxford; Treas., Miss Caverhill; Evangelistic, Miss H. Waterman and Mrs R. Turner; W.R. Agent, Mrs D. Hawke; Flower Mission, Mrs J. Baxter; Notable Days, Mrs G. Jones; Home Meetings, Mrs T. Gainsford and Mrs U. W. Brown; Band of Hope, Mrs C. W. Tritt; Cradle Roll, Mrs Rol; Young People's Branch, Mrs R. Connys; Legal and Parliamentary, Miss Caverhill.

PAHIATUA, first Thursday in month, Presbyterian Church, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. D. Wilson; Treas., Mrs H. Paterson; W.R. Agent, Mrs Rennie, Kiccarton Road; Hon. Sec., Mrs Ada Willis, 15 Cambridge Street.

PAPANUI, 2nd Thursday, Presbyterian Girls' Bible Classroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. Simpson, 160 Idris Road; Rec. Sec., Mrs A. Merrin, 278 Harewood Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs H. Wright, 57 Aorangi Road; Treas., Mrs Bond, Vagues Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Carr.

PALMERSTON NORTH, 1st Friday, St. Andrew's Schoolroom, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs C. A. E. Ferguson, 10 Lyndhurst St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs Singh, 16 Andrew Young St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs Wakeham, Chellwood St.; Treas., Mrs Kingston, Box 236; W.R. Agent, Mrs Burrell, 28 Bourke St.; Evangelistic, Mrs Ritchie; Cradle Roll, Miss Astbury; Literature, Mrs Doreen; Visitor, Mrs Cobb; Willard Home, Mrs Birdsall, 243 College St.

PETONE, 1st Tuesday, Salvation Army Hall, Sydney Street, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs Murgatroyd, Nelson Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Battersby, Corner, Jones and Cole; Sec., Mrs Cole, C/o. Mrs Corner, 89 Nelson Street; Asst. Sec., Mrs Silberry, Richmond Street; Treas., Mrs Doneghue, C/o. R. R. Howe, Jackson Street; Asst. Treas., Mrs Woolford, Beach Street; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Carter; Librarian, Mrs Playtor, Koro Koro; W.R. Agent, Mrs Bradbury, 18 Te Puni Street; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs Jensen, 7 Buick Street; Sick Visitors, Mrs Jones and Mrs Aitken.

PICTON, second Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Church of England Presbyterian, and Methodist Schoolrooms, alternately. Pres., Miss Harris; Vice-Pres., Mrs Brewer; Sec., Mrs Tobell; Cor. Sec., Miss A. Smith; Treas., Mrs Wells; Band of Hope, Mrs Powell; Cradle Roll, Miss Powick; Supt. Y's., Mrs Head; W.R. Agent, Mrs Fowler, Wellington St., Picton.

PLEASANT POINT, meets 4th Wednesday, at 3 p.m., Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs W. McNeur; Sec., Mrs R. Crombie, Waitohi, Temuka, R.D.; Treas., Mrs Crombie, Waitohi; Cradle Roll, Mrs Andrews, Sutherland; W.R. Agent, Miss A. Neilson.

PORT CHALMERS, meets 2nd Thursday, 3 p.m., Currie St. Hall. Pres., Mrs Tait, Harrington St.; Sec., Miss Gunn, 19 Mary St.; Treas., Mrs Smillie, Carey's Bay; W.R. Agent, Mrs Paton, Daly St.

PONSONBY, meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday in St. Stephen's Schoolroom, Jervois Road, Ponsonby, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Lee-Cowie, 8 Stokes Road, Mt. Eden; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Hayr and Kasper, Miss Read; Rec. Sec., Miss Read, "Fern Bank," Whitaker Place; Cor. Sec., Mrs Farrand, 8 Stokes Road, Mt. Eden; Treas., Miss T. Pyle, 8 Stokes Road, Mt. Eden; W.R. Agent, Miss T. Pyle, 8 Stokes Road, Mt. Eden; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Andrews, 1 Crummer Rd.; Bible-in-Schools, Miss Pyle, 8 Stokes Rd., Mt. Eden; Anti-Gambling and Sabbath Observance, Mrs Farrand, 8 Stokes Rd., Mt. Eden; Mothers' Meetings and Flower and Sick Visiting, Mrs Stewart; Notable Days, Mrs Bragg; Evangelistic, Miss Braithwaite;

Prison and Reformatory, Mrs Wakelin; Good Citizenship, Mrs Joiner; Social and Press, Mrs Hunter.

RAKAI, meets on the 2nd Thursday, in St. Andrew's Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Boag; Sec., Mrs Hopwood; Treas., Mrs Evison; W.R. Supt., Miss Amy Oakley.

RAETHI, 1st Friday, 3 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs Griffin, Seddon Street; Sec., Mrs Sandford, Duncan Street; Treas., Mrs W. Scarrow, Valley Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Ford, Seddon Street.

RAWENE, 3rd Wednesday. Pres., Mrs H. Ashworth; Vice-Pres., Mrs Bawden; Sec., Mrs P. Lane; Cradle Roll Sec., Mrs Herk; Librarian and W.R. Agent, Mrs Johnson; Press Reporter, Mrs H. Ashworth.

REETON, 1st Tuesday, at 3 p.m., in Knox Church. Pres., Mrs Webb; Sec., Mrs Willis, Box 17; Treas., Mrs Duff; W.R. Agent, Mrs Campbell.

RICHMOND (Nelson), 3rd Tuesday, 3 p.m., Baptist Church. Pres., Miss Tarrant; Vice-pres., Mesdames Cropp, Pittall, and Oliver Sutton; Sec., Mrs Crabtree, Gladstone Road, Treas., Mrs B. Cropp, Salisbury Road; W.R. Agent, Miss Dyson, "Althorpe."

RIVERTON, meets 1st Monday, in Presbyterian Vestry, at 7.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs E. H. Gray; Vice-Pres., Mrs Fordyce, Mrs Philip and Mrs Prosser; Sec., Mrs T. Borland, Havelock Street; Treas., Mrs J. Cassels; W.R. Agent, Mrs Duthie, Church Street.

STRATFORD, 4th Friday, 3 p.m., Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs M. T. Phillips, Brecon Road; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Fawcett and McCallum; Treas., Miss Lilley, Juliet Street, North; Sec., Mrs McCallum, Orlando Street, North; W.R. Agent, Mrs Kelly, Regan Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs Wendelborn, Juliet Street, South.

SAWYER'S BAY, 4th Tuesday, in Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs Polson; Vice-Pres., Mrs Pratley; Sec., Mrs Wallis; Treas., Mrs Aburn; W.R. Agent, Mrs Broadley; Cradle Roll W.R. Agent, Mrs Broadley.

SUMNER, meets first Wednesday, in the Presbyterian Schoolroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. McCombs, Clifton; Vice-Pres., Mesdames McAra, Wilson and Sherrard; Sec., Mrs G. A. Alexander, 90 Nayland Street; Treas., Mrs J. A. Booth, Clifton; W.R. Agent, Mrs R. Ogier, Dryden Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs F. G. Carter; Evangelistic, Mrs MacMillan; Anti-Gambling, Miss Cook; Musical, Mrs H. W. Heslop.

SYDENHAM, 1st Thursday in the month, in Baptist Schoolroom, Colombo Street. Pres., Mrs Odell, Brougham Street West; Sec., Mrs Cartwright Smith, 125 Colombo Street; Treas., Mrs Gillard, Brougham Street East; W.R. Agent, Mrs Vincent, Colombo Street.

TE KUITI, meets 2nd Tuesday in month, at 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs G. Hall; Sec., Mrs G. Elliott, Seddon Street; Treas., Mrs R. B. Cole, Mangarino Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Hill.

TAURANGA, meets every 3rd Friday in Methodist Hall, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs Carlton Smith, "The Knoll," 11th Avenue; Rec. and Cor. Sec., Mrs York, 1st Avenue; Treas., Mrs Teasey, Edgcombe Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs W. Foxcroft, Cameron Road; Evangelistic W. Foxcroft, Cameron Road.

TAKAPUNA, meets 1st Thursday in the month, at 2.30 in the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian Churches alternately. Pres., Mrs Morgan Richards; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Penning and Winstone; Sec., Mrs Lewis, (Croydon) Victoria Rd.; Treas., Miss Piper, East Coast Rd.; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Winstone; W.R. Agent, Mrs Morgan.

TEMUKA, meets 1st Friday, Methodist Hall, 3 p.m. President, Mrs T. Tilbrook, Hayhurst Street; Secretary, Mrs E. Blackmore, St. Leonard's; Treasurer, Miss E. Greaves, King Street; Cradle Roll Supt., Miss M. Elder, King Street; W.R. Supt., Mrs Wilson, Factory Road.

TIMARU, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Sailors' Rest. Pres., Mrs Norrie, c/o. A. C. Martin, Esq., Beverley Road; Sec., Mrs Minifie, 30 Evans Street; Treas., Miss A. A. Pearson, 23 Turnbull Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs J. R. King, Grey Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Cave, Raymond Street; Peace and Arbitration, Mrs B. H. Low, 12 Preston Street; Scientific Temperance, Mrs Gordon, 190 Otupua Road; Notable Days, Mrs Butcher, 50 Arthur Street; "Y." Pres., Mrs Gordon, 190 Otupua Road.

TINWALD, 2nd Wednesday, Methodist Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Robinson; Sec., Mrs W. Hopwood, Carters Terrace; Treas., Mrs Wakelin; W.R. Agent, Mrs Night.

WAIMATE, 2nd Wednesday, in Knox Church Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Roy, Deep Creek, Waituna; Acting-Sec., Mrs Simpson, Waituna; Treas., Mrs Simpson, Waituna; W.R. Agent, Mrs Graham, Rhodes Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs Johns and Mrs Vigers.

WAITARA, in Knox Church, third Friday, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Clayton, Warre Street; Sec., Miss A. Bicheno, Brown Street; Treas., Mrs Hughson, Beach Cottage; W.R. Agent, Mrs A. Smart, Cameron Street.

WAIKAWA, 4th Wednesday in each month, 2.30 p.m., St. John's Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs Hugh McLean, Waverley St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Neal, Robertson and Bott; Sec., Mrs J. Bibby, Rose Street; Treas. and Rec. Sec., Miss T. Johnson, Rose Street; W.R. Supt., Miss Bibby.

WAIKURAU, meets 1st Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. in Methodist Hall. Pres., Miss Burdett; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Harding, Major and Tayl; Sec., Mrs Reid, Treas., Mrs Robinson; W.R. Agent, Mrs Gilchrist.

WAIROA, H.B., St. Andrew's Hall, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Capt. Daisy Laskey; Sec. and W.R. Agent, Mrs Alexander, Box 61; Treas., Mrs Johansen, Marine Parade; Cradle Roll, Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Glass.

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